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1,847 miners go back

NO OLIVE BRANCH FOR NUM

'Talks on talks' move fails

By JOHN RICHARDS
Industrial Correspondent

INFORMAL moves to set up "talks about talks" in an attempt to end the 45-week-old pit strike were scuppered yesterday by the largest return to work since the New Year.

Mr Peter Heathfield, general secretary of tthe National Union of Mineworkers, and Mr Michael McGahey, vice-president, met Mr Ned Smith, Coal Board director general of industrial relations, at a secret location in London after what the board described as "an informal approach by Mr Heathfield."

But Mr Michael Eaton, chief spokesman for the board announced: "Nothing following today's meeting brings direct negotiations any nearer."

After four hours of talks with senior members of the T U C, however, the miners' leaders were last night still desperately trying to keep open the prospect of negotiations.

Mr Arthur Scargill, N U M president declared: "We will enter into negotiations without pre-conditions."

Arrangements for the meeting — which was not attended by Mr Scargill — were made a week ago, according to the union.

But it was apparent, with 1,847 men going back to work for the first time yesterday in the third-largest Monday return since the dispute began, the Board and the Government were not prepared to offer immediate face-savers to the union.

Mr Eaton said last night: "We have always mintained that we would require some realism from the union abouthe closure of pits for economic reasons. Since today's meeting made no progress on that front, then it has not brought negotiations on settlement aof the dispute any nearer.

Winning without negotiations

Authoritative sources were reported to be suggesting that in the absence of such a U-turn by the union on closures it would need 70 per cent. of the 187,000 miners to go back before Ministers would sanction fresh peace talks.

The union said that the approach for talks was made at the miners' welfare meetings in London. Yesterday's contact between the two sides was the first about the strike since the Acas peace discussions collapsed on Oct. 31.

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It was thought to have been intended to explore the ground for renewed negotiations with the full 24-man N U M executive present.

The executive, which meets again in Sheffield on Thursday, decided unanimously a fortnight ago to try to widen the talks to shift the emphasis from the deadlock over closure of uneconomic pits to talks on the future of the industry.

The presence of Mr McGahey, at the talks could indicate that there were genuine attempts by both sides to bet negotiations under way without the presence of their senior negotiators, Mr Scargill, and Mr Ian McGregor, Coal Board chairman.

The toughness of the refusal to allow fresh peace talks to be arranged under these circumstances indicates that the board and the Government both consider they are winning the dispute without recourse to negotiations.

The only qualification is that both sides realise — at least in private — that no settlement is practicable without a negotiated agreement.

Some Coal Board managers, in particular, are concerned at the depth of ill-feeling which woul darise if the strike were won on a basis of attrition, rather than talks leading to a settlement.

Last night the N U M leaders, including Mr Scargill, met the seven-man T U C team who are "monitoring" the dispute.

After the talks with the T U C Mr Scargill said: "The

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Pickets watching in silence yesterday as working miners filed past after completing their shift at Kiveton Park colliery in south Yorkshire where 158 men clocked in for the first time.

FORMER PICKETS GO BACK

By JAMES O'BRIEN

FORMER pickets were among the miners who returned to work at Kiveton Park Colliery in South Yorkshire yesterday.

After a small number of miners who have been working for some time had driven through the pit gates, 158 N U M members walked into the pit for the first time in nearly 11 months, passinfi 40 pickets.

They returned despite the intensive activity of Mr Arthur Scargill, N U M president, and Mr Jack Taylor, the union's Yorkshire area president, who addressed branch meetings at the weekend in areas where support for the strike is waning.

The Yorkshire area of the National Coal Board said it was surprised at the size of the return to work and had not been involved in preparing the return.

'King Canute'

"If this is the result of efforts by Mr Scargill to stop people who want to come back he can be our guest any time he wants," said a spokesman.

The King Canute of modern industrial times continues to try to turn back the tide of realism," he added.

There were no incidents at Kiveton Park as pickets led by Mr George Smith, branch president, watched in near-silence behind a line of policemen. The scene was very different from the violent mass pickets which had followed the first return to work by three men at Kiveton Park on Aug. 22.

Yesterday's return brought the total working at Kiveton Park to 361 — one man over 50 per cent. of the total work force.

Mr Smith said: "Four men walked past me who have been front line pickets since day one of the strike. It saddened me but has not made me downhearted to see them go back."

4·5pc AWARD FOR NALGO STAFF

By Our Local Government Correspondent

More than 550,000 local government white collar workers are to receive pay increases of between 4·6 and 5·6 per cent. as a result of an arbitration award by Acas, the conciliation service.

The higher percentage increases will go to the lowest paid. The employers had offered a flat 4·5 per cent. increase, and Nalgo, the staffs' union, had asked for seven per cent and "restructuring" for those on lower grades.

THAMES BEACH

By Our Commercial Correspondent

A beach by the Thames at Wapping is to be created as part of a £1 million housing scheme at Carbide Wharf, backed by the London Docklands Development Corporation. It will be strictly for sunbathing, as pollution rules out swimming.

MATT MONRO ILL

Matt Monro, 54, the pop singer, was "poorly but comfortable" in Adenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, last night after an attempted liver transplant was called off. His former manager, Mr Don Black, said Mr Monro would now be treated for cancer with drugs.

Austin unions face damages claim

By STEPHEN WARD Industrial Staff

AUSTIN ROVER is pursuing a damages claim against all its eight trade unions following a 15-day pay strike in November.

The unions involved include those which called the strike off early on in face of legal action. The unions lost their immunity from such an action because there was no secret ballot.

Austin Rover confirmed last night that the action is going ahead, and that it has issued a "statement of claim," a legal document outlining the grounds of the case. The unions now have to file their defence before a High Court hearing can be arranged.

A company spokesman said: "At the beginning of the strike we made it abundantly clear to the trade unions involved that once the company had started the legal process we would allow it to continue, and the issuing of the statement of claim is just the next step in that process."

Ballots law

The 1984 Trade Union Act, which became law in September, deems strikes and other industrial actions to be unlawful unless they are endorsed beforehand in a secret ballot by a majority of members involved.

Failure to hold a ballot leaves trade unions liable for damages claims under civil law of up to £250,000.

The Austin Rover unions consulted their members at mass meetings but there were not secret ballots among the 28,000 workers.

Six unions called off the strike, four following the issue of a High Court injunction.

But two, the Transport and General Workers Union and the Engineering union's white collar section, Tass, did not. The T G W U, the largest union at the company, whose national executive endorsed the strike, was fined £200,000 for contempt of court. The strike ended after local votes to return.

The unions involved are the A U E W, T G W U, the Electricians' Union, Tass Association of Patternmakers and Allied Craftsmen, the National Society of Metal Mechanics, the Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians and the General, Municipal, Boilermakers nd Allied Trades Union.

TERROR ACT SWOOP

Three men were last night being detained under the Prevention of Terrorism Act after they were arrested by Merseyside Special Branch detectives. It is thought that two of the men were picked up when a ferry docked from Dublin on Sunday.

ASBESTOS ALERT

Wolverhampton Polytechnic's seven-storey art and design building has been sealed off for up to a year so that it can be decontaminated after brown asbestos was found when a ceiling collapsed.

FALKLANDS POST

Mr Gordon Jewkes, 55, Consul-General in Chicago, is to take over as Civil Commissioner of the Falklands when Sir Rex Hunt retires in September.

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HOMES FLOODED IN THAW

By BRENDA PARRY

OUTLOOK: Thaw continuing

WIDESPREAD flooding affected much of the South of England last night as the thaw got under way and heavy rains washed away the remaining snow.

Worst hit areas were Devon, Sussex and Kent. Many homes were flooded and minor landslides blocked some roads. In South Devon bonnet-high water made many roads impassable.

But while the cold snell ended in the South, the Arctic conditions moved to North. Thick snow blocked roads in Cumbria, Durham, Northumberland and the Grampian region.

Up to 52°F

Much of the South had its first mild weather of the year as temperatures reached 48° to 52°F (9 deg.-11 deg. C) in many places.

In Sussex the A28 at Newenden Bridge was closed and minor roads in the Lewes areas were also under water. In Hampshire a railway bridge at Brockenhurst subsided, and trains between Bournemouth and Southampton were stopped.

Many roads in Somerset, Wiltshire and al over Devon were closed by flood water.

GUNMAN IS SEIZED BY TRADERS

By JOHN WEEKS
Crime Staff

TWO shopkeepers overpowered a gunman who tried to steal money from a newsagent's shop in Stockwell Road, Brixton, yesterday.

After a struggle, during which the gun was fired and a bullet hit the ceiling, they sat on him until police arrived.

When the gunman walked into Steve's Newsagents and pulled out a pistol, the Asian shopkeeper pressed a hidden bell and the former owner of the shop who now works nearby as a barber rushed in and grappled with the man.

Hit with gun

The barber, a Greek Cypriot snatched the gun from the man and hit him several times with it.

Another trader said: "Michael the barber, was a real hero. He used to own the newsagents and the alarm was still connected to his barber's shop.

"He has been extremely angry lately about the number of robberies. The man was in a mass of blood all over his face by the time the police arrived."

LEBANON BLAST

A Sunni Moslem leader, Mustafa Said, strongly opposed to the Israeli occupation, was seriously wounded by a car bomb explosion as the Israeli Army prepared to leave Sidon last night. Reports said two people had died and 12 were wounded.—Reuter.

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71 DIE ABOARD GAMBLERS' JET

By Our New York Staff

Seventy one people died when a chartered Lockheed Electra airliner carrying 74 people back to Minneapolis after a gambling junket in Reno, Nevada, crashed nd burned shortaly fter take-off yesterday. Police said there appeared to be only three survivors.

It was the third crash of a Lockheed Electra in the past eight months. One broke apart over Pennsylvania 1st May, killing four people, and another crashed last month near Kansas City, killing two.

SOLDIER ACCUSED OF MURDERS

Corporal Andrew Walker, 30, of the 1st batallion Royal Scots appeared in private at Edinburgh sheriff court yesterday charged with the murder of two soldiers and a retired army major and the robbery of a £19,000 Army payroll in the Pentland Hills near Penicuik last week.

He was remanded in custody for a week on charges of murdering Major David Cunningham, 56, Staff Sgt Terence Hosker, 39, and Private John Thomson, 25.

Today's Weather

GENERAL SITUATION: Deep depression slow moving off Scotland with strong W. or N.W. airstream over Britain.

LONDON, MIDLANDS, S.E., CEN. S., E. ENGLAND, E. ANGLIA: Sunny periods, isolated wintry showers. Winds moderate, becoming S.W., fresh or strong. Max. 45F (7C).

CHANNEL Is., S.W., N.W. ENGLAND, WALES: Sunny intervals, wintry showers perhaps heavy. Winds N.W., moderate, becoming W., fresh or strong, perhaps gale. 45F (7C).

N.E. ENGLAND: S.W. SCOTLAND, N. IRELAND: Bright intervals, showers. Wind W. or N.W. fresh or strong, increasing gale, perhaps severe gale. 41F (5C).

S. NORTH SEA: Wind W. or S.W. force 5 increasing 6-7 or gale 8. Sea rough or very rough.

STRAIT OF DOVER, ENGLISH CH (E.): Wind N.W. 5 becoming W. 5 or 6-7. Moderate becoming rough.

ST GEORGE'S CH: W. or N.W., 6-7 or gale 8. Rough or very rough.

IRISH SEA: N.W. gale 8 perhaps severe gale 9. Very rough.

OUTLOOK: Cold, unsettled, very windy at first.

(Weather Maps—P22)

Lawson faces setback on cash curbs

By FRANCES WILLIAMS Economics Correspondent

MR LAWSON, Chancellor, has been told by Treasury officials that there is little prospect of holding down State spending to the levels envisaged in the Government's White Paper on spending to 1987-88, published today.

While the Chancellor is expected to go ahead with a tax-cutting budget on March 19, continued upward pressure on public spending is likely to erode his scope for tax cuts in future years.

Public-sector pay, State industry finances and the burgeoning social security budget, which accounts for a quarter of all Government spending, are seen as the main pressure points.

The plans detailed in the White Paper, agreed by the Cabinet last autumn, imply no increase in total spending in real terms over the next three years, over and above what happens to inflation. This would allow the share of State spending in national income to fall as the economy grows, paving the way for big reductions in taxation.

But Treasury officials are not confident the plans will stick. For their own economic forecasts they are assuming public spending will continue to grow in real terms by perhaps 1 per cent. a year.

In the 1985-86 financial year the Government plans to spend about £132 billion, representing a small decline in real terms from actual above-target spending this year. The 1985-86 total includes a £3 billion reserve for unforeseen spending.

Too optimistic

But in private, officials expect an overshoot of up to £1 billion, with the whole of the reserve and more absorbed by the cost of rising unemployment, continued town hall overspending, above-limit public sector wage deals and the knock-on costs of the miners' strike on State industry finances.

In addition, there is concern that the plans may be too optimistic on the amount of revenue to be raised by asset sales, especially council houses.

The signs are that the Treasury will be gunning hard for the social security budget in its increasingly desperate search for economies.

The results of the social security reviews set up by Mr Fowler, Social Services Secretary, are to be discussed by Ministers next month and the Treasury will be determined to ensure they result in expenditure savings.

Mr Fowler, however, is expected to fight his corner. The stage is thus set for a formidably tough public-spending round later this year

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REAGAN PROMISES FREEZE

By RICHARD BEESTON in Washington

PRESIDENT REAGAN, driven indoors for his second term Inaugural address by dangerously cold temperatures, yesterday promised the nation a freeze on Government spending and put the Soviet Union on notice of his deep commitment to develop a space shield against nuclear attack.

As Washington shivered from an Arctic cold-air mass stretching from the Rockies to the Deep South, Mr Reagan delivered his address from inside the Capital Rotunda, after cancelling the Inaugural parade because of danger of frostbite to the public.

Reagan's pledge—P4

He spoke in confident tones of the "25 straight months of economic growth" in America and of a nation which was "leading the world to a new age of economic expansion."

'Time of reckoning'

America, he said, was poised for greatness and renewal, but he gave warning that "an almost unbroken 50 years of deficit-spending was finally brought us to a time of reckoning."

Four years ago in his first

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Protests as diesel fuel prices rise again

By ROLAND GRIBBEN Business Correspondent

HAULIERS protested strongly yesterday as the price of diesel fuel rose further above the price motorists pay for petrol after oil companies announced a second price rise for industrial fuels in less than a week.

Oil distributors also joined in the protests about the rise, the fifth since September, accusing the oil companies of a "rip-off."

The latest rise pushed the price of diesel sold to hauliers in bulk to £2 a gallon compared to the average 189p a gallon motorists are paying for four-star petrol.

Shell, Esso, British Petroleum and Texaco all announced increases and blamed the weakness of sterling and the need to improve returns. Petrol is to remain unchanged although BP said that an increase cannot be too far away.

'Hopping mad'

The companies have raised diesel fuel and heating oil by 1·1p a litre (5p a gallon) commercial petrol by 0·5p (1·3p) and fuel oil by 0·6p-0·7p (2·72p-3·1p).

Shell said its scheduled price for diesel fuel is now 44·21p a litre, equivalent to £2 gallon, central heating oil 30-70n (139·3p) and heavy fuel oil 24·38p (110·8p).

It has increased the price of diesel by about 10 per cent. since September, central heating oil by just under 10 per cent. and heavy fuel oil by 16 per cent.

A spokesman for the 12,000-strong Road Haulage Association said: "Our members are hopping mad. They've just negotiated rates for the year with customers and will now have to go out and revise them."

Fuel accounts for 24 per cent. of operating costs and the association is considering whether to recommend member firms to introduce a fuel surcharge.

The Federation of Petroleum Suppliers accused the oil companies of milking industry to subsidise motorists.

Mr Jim Rowson, secretary of the 400-strong organisation which represents oil distributors, said shivering householders, industrialists and hauliers had little option but to pay.

"National companies, public utilities and other large enterprises with whom the majors deal direct will quickly force the price to themselves back down," he added.

The latest rise in fuel oil prices will push up industrial costs. Demand has risen substantially because of increased buying by the Central Electricity Generating Board which has negotiated special terms for its considerable purchases.

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TUC-LABOUR CALL FOR PIT PEACE TALKS

By JOHN RICHARDS Industrial Correspondent

TRIBUTE to the determination of striking miners and their loyalty to their union was paid by the TUC-Labour party Liaison Committee yesterday.

In a two-hour meeting the committee expressed continuing support for the striking miners, reaffirmed complete commitment to the objective of achieving a negotiated settlement, and called for an urgent resumption of peace talks.

As he left the meeting, Mr Kinnock, Labour leader, said he hoped that both sides would now find a way of returning to the negotiating table.

The readiness already existed in the National Union of Mineworkers, and it was not a question of pushing anybody because Labour did not have to.

Mr Kinnock said he was encouraged by recent statements from the miners' union and the Coal Board that they wanted a negotiated settlement, and he claimed that area directors of the Board also wanted to see the strike ended and coal production resumed.

"All the rational people are in favour of that course as quickly as possible," said Mr Kinnock.

'Terrible costs'

"If the Government has got any sense and wants to heal the divisions that are increasing in our country, it would be encouraging a negotiated settlement.

"In a civilised country, relying on disruption, starvation and hunger, or very near to it, and scourging people back to work is something opinion in every party finds very difficult to take.

"A war of attrition, if that is what the Government wants, will have terrible costs for our country and society. I do not think we can afford it, and I think the Government ought to recognise that."

'No total surrender'

Mr Kinnock's call for renewed negotiations was reflected by both fellow party leaders and trade unionists attending the talks.

Mr Stanley Orme said he was hopeful that an agreement could be reached if negotiations took place without preconditions. Mr Eric Heffer said the best way to end the dispute was for the Government to "stop standing in the way" of negotiations being restarted.

Mr Terence Duffy, president of the Enginering Union, said: "It would be in the interest of the nation if talks were reopened, and all indications are that the miners are seeking to compromise. But, of course, there will be no total surrender."

Mr Ray Buckton, of Aslef, and vice-chairman of the TUC General Council, accused the Government of having "abdicated its responsibilities" in the dispute, and Mr Clive Jenkins, general secretary of the white-collar union ASTMS, said the strike had become "far too bitter."

Political football

Mr Trevor Bell, leader of the white collar Colliery Officials and Staffs Area of the NUM, complained on Radio 2's Jimmy Young Show that the strike had become a political football, with the Government quite happy to watch the NUM's struggle.

"They are using the NUM as a grindstone to try to demoralise the rest of the trade union and labour movement," said Mr Bell, a leading moderate on the union executive.

"But, at the end of the day, when we have had those talks and we are all back at work, it is the relationship that comes out of this struggle between the men and management and between us, the TUC and Labour party, and the Government that really matters.

"I do not think that all that is worth sacrificing for the sake of a political victory by somebody."

Strike miner challenges benefit cut

By TERENCE SHAW
Legal Correspondent

THE Government's right to cut £16 a week from the supplementary benefit paid to the families of striking miners on the assumption that they receive union strike pay, was challenged before two judges in the High Court in London yesterday.

Mr NICHOLAS BLAND, a striking miner from Betford, Nottingham, the National Union of Mineworkers and the Trades Union Congress, are claiming that the Government adjudication officers acted unlawfully in making the cuts under provisions of the 1980 Social Security Act.

If they succeed, the Government could be faced in making further payments of an estimated £30 million to £50 million to the families of striking miners and the ruling would outlaw similar deductions in other industrial disputes.

Mr FREDERICK REYNOLDS for Mr Bland and the TUC told the court that the implications of the case were "very considerable," not only in respect of the current miners' dispute but "in respect of any other industrial dispute involving a strike and a stoppage at work."

'Wrong route'

When the case opened before Lord Justice May and Mr Justice Taylor in the Queen's Bench Divisional Court, Mr John Laws, who was appearing for the Chief Adjudication Officer of the Department of Health and Social Security, claimed the challenge was taking the "wrong route."

He argued that because Mr Bland had failed to use the appealing against the deduction to the Social Security Commissioners, it would be "inappropriate" for the Divisional Court to grant him any relief.

Replying Mr Reynolds said there was an urgent need for an important point of public law decided authoritatively. If the normal statutory procedure was followed, Mr Bland would have to go through a number of hoops and stages before reaching the Court of Appeal "at the end of a long road."

Married couple claim

The Divisional Court was "pre-eminently equipped" to deal with the point of construction involved and it was "quicker and cheaper" to bring the case before the Divisional Court than to follow the statutory route.

In his claim, Mr Bland, 26, seeking a court order quashing instructions issued by the Chief Adjudication Office for the deductions to be made.

Alternatively he is seeking a declaration that adjudication officers are not entitled to make the deductions frob benefits payable to a married couple under section six of the Social Security (No. 2) Act where one parner is involved in a trade dispute.

It is claimed that the right to make deductions under Section six did not apply to a married couple where one partner is on strike.

The judges are expected to hear argument today on the appropriate venue for the challenge before deciding whether to go on to consider the issues of statutory construction raised in the case.

The deductions from supplementary benefit payments were introduced by the Government in 1980 on the assumption that anyone called out on strike was being paid a sum in strike pay by his union.

But the National Union of Mineworkers has not been giving its members strike pay.

The deduction made under Section 6 of the 1980 Act was increased from £15 to £16 a week last November.

Heath crisis contrasts strongly with pit strike calm

By MAURICE WEAVER Industrial Staff

THE continuing climate of national calm about the miners' strike contrasts sharply with that which existed in early 1974 as Mr Heath's Government faced a similar crisis.

It is reflected in the statement by Mr Walker, Energy Secretary, that, despite the cold spell, the strike still holds no threat of coal shortages this year.

But on Jan. 21, 1974, when the then general secretary Mr Len Murray (now Lord Murray) told reporters after a 5½-hour meeting at 10 Downing Street that his movement's peace initiative had collapsed, the atmosphere was one of general foreboding and unremitting pessimism.

Britain was already reeling from the impact of the Arab oil embargo, disruption in industry was rife and the population sensed it was on the brink of an economic and political crisis.

The prospect of a coal stoppage seemed like the last straw and for the Heath Government, when it went to the country on Feb. 28, it was.

Great change

Looking back at those anguished weeks is to realise how improbable it would have then seemed that 11 years later, after a 46-week miners' strike and with determined transport unions attempts to stop coal movement, the country could be going about its business with so little ill effect.

There are several reasons why this great change has come about and why the once-accepted axiom that Governments can only rule with the consent of the National Union of Mineworkers, has finally been laid to rest.

One of these is based in the fact that, unlike in 1972 and 1974 when the NUM strikes were over pay, the present confrontation about long-term mining strategy had been "in the wind" for long enough for the Government to prepare for it.

When Mr Joe (now Lord) Gormley, Mr Scargill's predecessor, as NUM president, announced in January, 1974 that the overtime ban which had been applying since the preceding Nov. 12 would be converted into an all-out stoppage from early February, the nation's coal stocks were low.

Figures given at the time show that there were 19,600,000 tons at power stations, equivalent to three months' supply. The gas works had five weeks' supply.

Domestic customers, who then relied heavily on open fires for their heating, had 800,000 tons or enough for four to five weeks.

Clear indications

Details of undistributed stocks were not disclosed but by Jan. 25 when the overtime ban had been going for some eight weeks and the strike loomed, there were said to be 10,200,000 tons at pitheads.

Only 3,600,000 tons of this was suitable for producing electricity, while that at power stations had by then dropped to 13,600,000 tons.

Ministers said there was only enough for "some weeks," no more, and there were already clear indications of how serious the nation's plight was.

A state of emergency had been declared with effect from the previous Nov. 15 and under the rapidly-processed Fuel and Electricity Control Act, 1974, the use of power for light and heat was severely curtailed.

Industry was reduced to a three-day week; offices and shops could open either in the morning or evening but not both an da 10.30 p.m. television curfew was imposed to encourage people to go to bed earlier.

Unemployment shot up to around 2,250,000, the highest since the 1930s, and then, as now, the pound came under pressure.

Industrial confidence ebbed as the Government said that if coal stocks at power stations fell to the 7 million ton "crisis margin" power cuts would be necessary. The locomen's union ASLEF did its best to expedite the days by instructing its members to block coal movements.

Fractional drop

Today that general atmosphere of crisis has not reoccurred. Pithead coal stocks stood at 21,900,000 tons, a record, when the strike began in March, 1984, and today they have dropped only a fraction to 20,753,000 tons.

Working pits produced 647,000 tons in the week to Jan. 11 and that figure continues to increase.

The Central Electricity Generating Board keeps its stock data close to its chest for strategic reasons. But late last year Mr David Hunt, Coal Minister, disclosed that the summer-level stockpiles at powe rstations had been maintained well into the autumn.

In July those reserves stood at 15,910,000 tons. The "drain" of the cold weather has obviously reduced that by now but growing input from working pits provides a counter-balance.

The power industry is lesss dependent on coal than it was 11 years ago. Oil and nuclear energy both play a bigger part in power production, though a diminishing proportion as demand rises.

The gas industry is supplied from natural deposits and far fewer homes have open fires.

There has been no necessity for power cuts and industrial output, far from being hit, is continuing to improve after the recession.

Government figures this month indicated that the financial health of industrial and commercial business im proved in the third quarter of last year.

Radical change

The industrial climate has altered radically, too. At the time of Mr Heath's administration union ower was at its peak and the Government was striving to reserve Phase III of its ay code in a vain attempt to keep inflation in check.

Those with muscle, like the Electrical Power Engineers Association and the miners, were doing their best to smash such restraint.

Men like Mr Scargill and Mr Peter Heathfield, then both regional NUM officials, were calling for militant action and receiving strong rank-and-file backing.

Mr Mick McGahey, then as now the NUM's vice-resident, felt sufficiently confident of poular suort to call on troops to defect from their duties if they were called in.

climate the TUC has even binched from trying to organise trade union support for the miners, contenting itself with calls for "maximum support" but no positive action.

The rebellion by disillusioned miners in Nottinghamshire and also where, very different from 1974 when Notts men voted 77 per cent. in favour of the strike and Derbyshire 87 per cent., has underlined the more political-aware and critical attitudes which prevail among union members.

Unions humiliated

The transport unions have been humiliated by the refusal of thousands of their members growing sense of realism and to stop coal movements. A genuine fear for jobs has brought about a revolution on the shop floor.

But perhaps the most impressive difference in this "then and now" comparison, and the one which is conveyed most strongly by reading the newspapers of the day, is in the attitude of the two Governments.

In 1974 the TUC's influence and dignity was at its height. Mr Murray and his General Council were frequent visitors to No. 10 and requests for talks were frequently made by the Government.

That was the way of things. THE DAILY TELEGRAPH's then industrial correspondent, Blake Blaker, clearly found nothing unusual about Congress House developments in January, 1974 when he wrote after a meeting there: "The TUC may decide to meet the Government again. . . ."

The approach of Mrs Thatcher's Government has been far removed from the more acquiescent line of her predecessor.

Where possible she has adopted a "hands off" policy in relation to the NUM strike, leaving the nitty-gritty of negotiation to her tough Coal Board chairman, Mr Ian MacGregor.

Absolute backing

When he has stood firm he has received absolute backing. When Ministers have become involved they have done so at the request of the TUC and there have been no concessions to peace initiatives which go counter to stated policy.

The response to mass picketing, a far more violent business today than in 1974, has been a heavy police presence to get working miners through.

Lorry convoys have beaten the picket lines and the rail blockades to get coal to power stations and steelworks irrespective of threats of union retaliation.

In 1974 it was a mild winter with little to match last week's deep freeze which increased power demand, and fuel consumption, to record levels.

The sadness for Mr Scargill the Government's anti-strike must be that it merely served to underline the success of strategies.

Pickets 'bit drunk' says arson charge striker

PAUL NIXON, 28, a striking miner accused of setting fire to coaches used to ferry working miners across picket lines, claimed yesterday he had been considering returning to work at the time.

He joined pickets just to make the numbers up, he said at Stoke-on-Trent Crown Court.

Nixon, of High Street, Newchapel, Stoke-on-Trent, said there was general talk about damaging buses on a coach as he and the pickets returned home.

But, he added: "The people making the suggestions were a bit drunk and I didn't take them seriously."

Later, he sensed "a change in mood and put two and two together."

"I had heard talk of letting down tyres and smashing coach windscreens, and I thought they were going to carry it out, although I didn't know exactly what, at the time.

"I said: 'Come on, forget that stupid talk,' but they wouldn't listen." Nixon said he left the group and walked off along the canal tow path towards home.

Three miners from Hem Heath colliery, Stoke, MICHAEL JONES, 23, WILLIAM BANNISTER, 29, and GARY MOULD, 20, have admitted causing arson damage estimated at £65,000 at Thomson's Tours coach park in Trentham in the early hours of Aug 16 last year.

Three other miners also from the Hem Heath pit, Nixon, RAYMOND PATTON, 35, and STEPHEN LOWE, 24, have pleaded not guilty, while a fourth, David Cliffe, 30, denies aiding and abetting.

The case was adjourned until today.

'TAUNTS TO POLICE' AT ORGREAVE

STRIKING miners who smashed through police lines during picket line violence denied at Sheffield Crown Court yesterday a charge of unlawful assembly.

Police fought a grim battle to hold firm as the miners struagled to stop coke lorries leaving the Orgreave coke plant near Sheffield bound for a Scunthorpe steelworks, the court was told. The policemen faced abuse and violence and it resulted in 10 miners being arrested.

Mr ALAN GOLDSACK, prosecuting, told the jury of the taunts police officers faced as the mob broke through their lines at the second attempt.

One accused, CHRISTOPHER MCNICHOLAS, 25, of Station Barnsley, was arrested after allegedly shouting: "Smash Maggie Thatcher's Boot Boys, smash the pigs."

Mr Goldsack, who asked the jury to put all personal feelings aside in trying the case, toldthem that the unlawful assembly law, which was hundreds of years old, came into play, when one group of people through either force or threat of force tried to impose its will on another group.

The trial was adjourned until today.

BRIGHTON LINE AHEAD OF TIME

By JOHN PETTY
Transport Correspondent

THE £130 million modernisation of the London-Brighton line will be completed six months ahead of timetable, British Rail said yesterday. It now plans a facelift for trains on routes to Brighton and other parts of the Sussex coast.

But the biggest part of the work around Brighton is still to come, with no direct trains to the town being possible between March 31 and April 29. During that period, trains from London will be diverted via Hove, adding 10 minutes to the journey.

The revamp of trains will include new livery; breaking away from the present drab blue and giving the line individuality. But details are being kept secret.

"Initially, 10 trains will go to our engineering works at Eastleigh to receive major attention," said Southern. "If customer reaction to the changes is favourable, it is hoped to give a facelift to the entire fleet over the next three years."

Fluorescent lighting and a public address system will be fitted and seats will be re-upholstered "in attractive colours and design".

Seating will be increased and it is intended to speed-up trains, starting in May but with much greater acceleration next year.

Brighton station is to get a new look, with a terrazzo tiled floor to be laid by April. The concourse will be extended and the "antique" train departure indicator will be replaced by an electronic one.

"The aim is to produce a 'new' railway to attract increased business and visitors to the resort," said Mr Brian Scott, passenger business manager for Southern.

80 RAILMEN JOIN 'MODERATES'

Last week's rail-strike has added 80 more members to the Federation of Professional Rail Staff, the organisation which insists on a postal ballot with a 60 per cent. majority before strike action is approved.

The creation of its 36th branch, at Edwinstowe, near Mansfield, Notts where the men refused to strike last week, was announced yesterday. A plea to British Rail to recognise the federation was made yesterday by Mr Lewis Kelly, the federation's liaison officer who said: "Thousands of moderate railmen will flood in to join us, the moment they do."

TRAINS DISRUPTED

The bad weather and unofficial action by train drivers and guards at Waterloo caused 280 of Southern Region's 4,710 scheduled services to be cancelled last week. Eastern Region cancelled 155 out of 2,225, Western Region four out of 500. London Midland Region figures were not available.

Top civil servants make pay plea

By Our Industrial Staff

THE £95,000 salary needed to secure the services of Mr Peter Levine as the Government's new Chief of Defence Procurement is being quoted by Civil Service unions in their case for higher pay for Whitehall "mandarins."

They argue such arrangements, of which Mr Levene's is one of several in recent times, demonstrate that senior civil servants' pay has fallen grossly behind that in private industry and commerce.

The unions point to the assertion by Mr Heseltine, Defence Secretary, that Mr Levene, former chairman of United Scientific Holdings, took the Ministry job at "significant personal sacrifice." His industrial salary was said to have been around £140,000 a year.

The union also quotes the case of Mr Anthony Wilson, senior partner in the accountancy firm of Price Waterhouse, who was last summer appointed Head of Government Accountancy Services at a salary of £75,000, making him at that time the highest-paid civil servant.

Mr Wilson's predecessor in the Treasury post, Sir Kenneth Sharpe, had been paid £57,500 then the "going rate" for a job graded as Second Permanent Secretary.

Salary review

The Council of Civil Servants is to submit the arguments this week on behalf of three unions with members among top-level Government employees whose pay is settled by the Top Salaries Review Body.

The TSRB has commissioned a full assessment of how the rewards of senior civil servants compare with those given in the private sector for similar responsibilities.

The study spans 682 posts from the rank of under-secretary upwards. The grades and the numbers involved are: 503 under-secretaries (current pay £29,500); 140 deputy secretaries (£36,500); 16 second permanent secretaries (£42,000) and 21 permanent secretaries (£45,500).

It also covers the posts of the Secretary to the Cabinet, Sir Robert Armstrong, and the Permanent Secretary to the Treasury, Sir Peter Middleton. Both carry salaries of £51,250.

Trade unions with members among those senior Government employees are the First Division Association, the Institution of Professional Civil Servants and the Society of Civil and Public Servants.

Their submission is understood not to make a specific cash or percentage claim, but seeks to establish the overall case for senior Government employees being exempted from the three per cent. cash limit controls which Ministers seem determined to apply in the sector overall.

The settlement date for Government pay claims is in April. But in recent years Ministers have tended to "sit on" their advisors' recommendations until May or June.

The current TSRB review also covers senior officers in the Armed Forces, whose pay is tied to the same basic scales.

PRESS COUNCIL'S PLEA OVER VAT

The Press Council in a letter to Mr Lawson, the Chancellor, has called on the Government not to impose VAT on the Press.

Mr Kenneth Morgan, the Press Council's director, urged him not to propose any Budget change in the zero rating of newspaper and magazines. He said the Press Council opposed a tax on knowledge or information.

10 WRITS FOR POLICE CHIEF

Ten writs have been issued against the Chief Constable of Nottingham, Mr Charles McLachlen, arising out of the miners' dispute.

Mr McLachlen is head of the National Reporting Centre in London, which controls allocation of policing for the miners' dispute.

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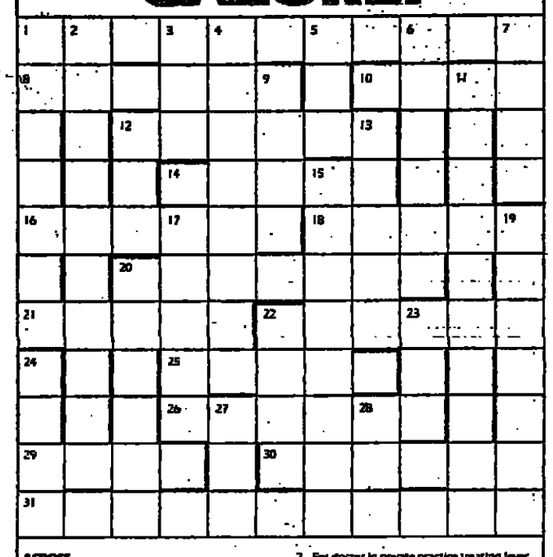

ACROSS
1. When the rivers are in spate, a ramble up the Scottish glens can turn into something of a wet wallk! (11)
8. And rain on roof left water channel full. (6)
10. Highest number on dice is six. (4)
12. They're likely to prefer garlic to salt in their stews! (6)
14. When I feel fear I find that I can put it out of my mind. (5)
16. The sort of girl who would play with one's affections would be inclined to flirt everywhere. (6)
18. Loud-mouthed people model themselves on Stentor. (5)
20. Do hard decisions loom on horizon for an arbiter of repute? (7)
21. I hope sip of proprietary fizz will cure my thirst . . . (5)
22. . . . but to sip cider would suggest other subjects for speculation (6)
24. Progress upwards on your career ladder, as clever men do. (5)
26. Leaf (sword-shaped) seen at many Botanical Gardens. (6)
29. Scots vegetable supplied to cattle pen and eaten by the animals as winter feed. (4)
30. Bumper yields of crops avert any danger of having to withhold food supplies (6)
31. When it was necessary (in order to get Uncle fed) his generous nephew gave homage to the cooks. (11)

DOWN
1. You must get up into psychologically-based ideas when you want to give something real emphasis. (7, two words)
2. For doctor in private practice treating fever, fees can be sparkling. (10)
3. Will aasvogels demonstrate such a prerequisite of flight? Certainly. (3)
4. Problem with quality of iron possible till a mechanic sorts it out. (8)
5. Cricketer chasing runs to determine where the Ashes go? (3)
6. See opponents squirming up for duel with unlikely weapon. (6)
7. Your eye may not be evil eye, but can be frightening for all that. (4)
9. Will it never close? (4)
11. Prison Warders seem to give advice to cell mates about working as a group. (10)
12. Native garland which should lie very nicely on the shoulders. (3)
13. Close journalist gets an exclusive because of local cop's offer of assistance. (5)
15. Priests often had to travel many a mile to make sacrifice to pagan gods. (8)
17. Estimate the wideness of a narrow ditch. (5)
19. There was acrimony in the dispute when one side denoted what the other side wanted. (7)
20. A passion for printer's measures. Examples—"en" and "em". (6)
22. Showed distress at foreign news agency's report. (4)
23. Spawning bed / fish with considerable success . . . (3)
24. . . . though it's unlikely that you'll catch fish in Glasgow's muddy rivers (4)
27. Study the fenestration and vaulting of a nave. (3)
28. Act goes with tic on racecourse. (3)

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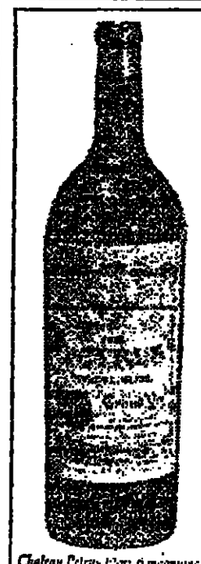

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Doctors blamed in DHSS report

COT DEATHS CLAIMS OF INFANTICIDE DISMISSED

By DAVID FLETCHER Health Services Correspondent

CLAIMS that large numbers of cot deaths are caused by parents who smother their babies in a fit of impatience are dismissed by a Department of Health report yesterday.

A study of 988 cot deaths found that coroners had given verdicts of infanticide for only nine of them, and that further investigation suggested there might have been a further 15.

"These 24 cases still represent less than 2·5 per cent. of the total. The remainder of the traumatic deaths were accidental."

Although clearing parents of infanticide, the report criticises them for sometimes failing to recognise the severity of their baby's symptoms when the child is ill.

But it is even more critical of doctors and says that they take the wrong decisions in two out of three cases involving babies who subsequently die. The report blames doctors in some cases of inappropriate treatment or failure to admit to hospital.

"The general practitioners had been in contact with less than half the infants during their terminal illness, either because no warning signs were observed or because no request had been made despite the child's symptoms.

Inappropriate teatment

"In 64 per cent. of those in contact with the general practitioner there had been inappropriate action, mainly through inappropriate treatment or through failure to re-visit or keep in close touch with the parents.

"In 26 per cent. of the children admitted to hospital in their terminal illness the case conferences thought there had been some failure—either delay in making a diagnosis or by initiating inappropriate treatment."

Parents are blamed for acting inappropriately in one in four cases by leaving their babies either unobserved for long periods or in the care of inexperienced people.

"The results of the study suggest there is much to be done in educating and encouraging parents to improve the standards of child care."

The report does not come up with any one cause of cot deaths but identifies the factors in parents which put them at risk of experiencing the tragic death of their baby.

Increased risk

Two factors that could be remedied immediately were excess smoking and less frequent breast feeding.

The report says: "Death in the period one week to two years was significantly related to young maternal age, to the mother's smoking, short intervals from the previous birth and short gestation period."

Other factors included lower birth weight and more frequent admission to a special care baby unit.

"There was evidence of an increased risk of infant death in lower social class families with more other children, having more family problems and living in less satisfactory housing."

It found that 14 per cent. of the babies studied died suddenly from an unknown cause compared with 50 per cent. of deaths which are entered on death certificates as "sudden death, cause unknown."

"Thus despite the special skills and interests of the collaborating centres the entries on the death certificates were frequently incomplete and inadequate and often in conflict with the clinical and pathological findings.

"They tended to exaggerate the frequency of sudden unexpected death and were poor indicators of the explanation for the deaths."

"A Multi-centre Study of Post Neonatal Mortality" available free from D H S S, Room 51311, Alexander Fleming House, London SE1 6BY.

SPECIAL CONFERENCE
BMA defence

The Department of Health is calling a special conference of doctors, pathologists and all those concerned with the care of babies next March to try to cut the number of cot deaths, Mr Patten, junior health minister announced yesterday.

He said they would consider all the recommendations made by the report. The British Medical Association defended doctors from the report's accusation that they take "inappropriate action" in two out of three cases of terminally ill babies.

A spokesman said they had been pressing the Government for years to provide the money for an organised system of screening babies so that problems could be detected at an early age.

Babies' symptoms difficult to judge

By Dr K. C. HUTCHIN
Medical Consultant

AS babies cannot say how they feel parents have to judge from symptoms but unfortunately these are not always specific. Crying may indicate pain or merely that the baby is hungry, tired or teething.

Experienced parents learn to know the difference but the inexperienced may need some guidance as to when to consult a doctor.

Prolonged crying in a normally contented baby may indicate something more serious. Constantly moving the head from side to side may indicate headaches. Screaming and drawing up the legs may indicate abdominal pain.

High temperature

Although after examination it may not indicate serious illness, the doctor should be notified if a baby has a high temperature, especially if associated with symptoms such as coughing or breathing difficulties.

The colour of the complexion varies with children, but changes of colour may indicate that something is wrong. Flushing, undue pallor or blueness are examples.

Six years for ammunition hoarder

By STANLEY GOLDSMITH

A ROYAL Ordnance Factory quality controller who became obsessed with "collector mania" was jailed for six years yesterday for stealing ammunition and a rocket launcher from the premises.

WESLEY HARRIS, 58, described at Chester Crown Court as "the most knowledgeable man in the country on the technical side of ammunition production," had hoarded so many stolen bullets and other property at his home that it took four policemen two weeks to remove it.

The court was told that Harris, third in the management structure at the Radway Green factory in Alsager, Cheshire, took everything from bullets to soap, pens, paper and dustbins during a 14-year run of "systematic stealing."

'Fool, but no traitor'

He "made it all too possible" for terrorists to get their hands on thousands of rounds although it was not known whether they had, said Mr GARETH EDWARDS, Q C, prosecuting.

Mr ALAN LEES, defending, said there was never any intention by Harris that the ammunition would fall into the hands of terrorists or criminals. Harris had told police: "I might have been a fool but I am not a traitor."

Mr Edwards said that Harris, of Heath End Road, Alsager, also stole explosive propellant from the factory to make bonfire night fireworks displays for his children.

His diaries recorded that in 1976, his son, Peter, and daughter Sylvia, then aged 13 and 11 respectively, set offelve pounds of the explosive between them in their back garden.

The diaries were a meticulous record of ammunition systematically stolen, to whom it was supplied, and the cash for goods Harris received in exchange.

Major outlets

His two major outlets were an arms dealer Anthony Chapman, sentenced to three years at the same court last Saturday for handling, and an unnamed Birmingham military trinket maker against whom proceedings were still pending, said Mr Edwards.

There were also two subsidiary dealers, one of whom had committed suicide and another who might yet be charged, he said.

Harris's salary after tax was £1,000 a month. He and his wife had a network of bank and building society accounts and Premium Bonds containing more than £75,000.

Their substantial detached house and garage were found to be overflowing with stolen property including 5,144 live rounds, 66,000 bullets and 70,000 bullet heads.

Mr Edwards said the Ministry of Defence calculated that the minimum value of goods stolen from them by Harris was £46,807.

Wesley Harris—arms expert whose home was "overflowing" with stolen ammunition.

FIRE VICTIM

A father of three who died yesterday is believed to have poured paraffin over himself, then set it alight. Neighbours of Mohammed Afsar, 50, who lived in Ralph Road, Saltley, Birmingham, said he had been depressed after his 16-year-old son was taken into care for unruly behaviour.

2yrs for 'dognap' blackmailer

By JOHN SHAW

DAVID PEARCE, 35, who blackmailed his former mistress, a champion carriage driver, by stealing her dog and demanding £2,000 ransom, was jailed for two years yesterday at Chelmsford Crown Court, Essex.

Mrs MARION WEST, 39, who helped Pearce take the Yorkshire terrier, Barney, and made 10 telephone calls demanding money, was jailed for a year, with six months of it suspended.

The dog was later released unharmed and returned to Mrs JEAN CLAYDEN, 42, the ex-mistress, who runs an 11-acre stud and riding stable at The Vinery, Felix Hall, Kelvedon, Essex.

Pearce and Mrs West were arrested after 16 police officers kept watch on an arranged "drop" in Epping Forest and saw the pair pick up £2,000 left by Mrs Clayden.

Judge BRIAN WATLING Q C, told Pearce: "Blackmail is an evil crime because it preys on the susceptibilities and sensitivities of ordinary people."

Pearce, unemployed, of Clarenden Road, Great Offley, near Hitchin, Hertfordshire, and Mrs West, of St Margarets, Stevenage, Hertfordshire, were unanimously convicted of demanding £2,000 with menaces.

The jury was discharged from giving a verdict on a charge of stealing the dog.

Mrs Clayden was not in court to hear the verdict. She has sold the story of her affair with Pearce, and the kidnapping, to a Sunday newspaper.

She had said during the six-day trial that she met Pearce in 1978 and he was cited in her divorce the following year, when she was awarded a generous settlement and bought the stud and stables for £120,000.

Pearce moved in as a handyman and they regularly had sexual intercourse, but she denied that they lived as man and wife. After they parted in October 1983, Pearce asked for £10,000 for his help in setting up her stables.

Since engaged

She refused to give him any money, and the dog was taken from her home on March 31 last year.

Mrs Clayden told the court that three months after Pearce moved out, Mr Reginald Smith, 38, a former publican, moved in as a handyman. They became engaged last January.

Carriage driving was described by the prosecution during the case as "the sort of thing the Duke of Edinburgh goes in for."

Driver who killed four jailed for 3 months

A LORRY driver who overtook on a blind bend with double white lines and killed a family of four in a head-on collision was sentenced to jail for 12 months—but with nine of them suspended—and banned from driving for two years at Shrewsbury Crown Court yesterday.

DENNIS THOMAS SEERY, 40, of Modbury Gardens, Reading, admitted causing the deaths of Mr GEOFFREY MASSEY, 43, a catering manager, his wife SONIA, 40, and their sons, ALEXANDER, 13, and ROBERT, 11.

The family from Bronwydd Arms, Carmarthen, Dyfed, were on their way home on the Shrewsbury-Welshpool road on Aug. 10 last year when the accident happened.

Mr Michael Homfray-Davies, prosecuting, said that both vehicles burst into flames, with the car being destroyed. Mr and Mrs Massey had to be identified from medical records.

Considerable shock

Mr JOHN SAUNDERS, defending, said it was an appalling tragedy and no one was more sorry about it than Seery. He had no recollection of what happened but accepted the evidence of witnesses, and this was why he had pleaded guilty.

Seery was a family man with ages as the Massey children.

Mr Saunders went on: "This two children about the same accident has had a profound effect on him. He suffered considerable shock at the time and afterwards. He was treated in hospital and later his own doctors prescribed tranquillisers."

Seery would now lose his driving job as a result of the ban.

Judge PETER NORTHCOTE, told Seery: "You decided to overtake crossing double white lines and as a result a family was wiped out.

"I accept that you are a decent man and the thought of what you have done by this piece of reckless driving will live with you for a long time. But in my judgment this type of driving cannot be dealt with other than by a prison sentence."

'OBSERVER' LEAK MAN 'IDIOTIC'

By COLIN RANDALL

A SENIOR civil servant's conduct in passing Defence Ministry documents to the OBSERVER newspaper was "rash and idiotic," rather than corrupt, Mr PAUL CHADD, his Q C, told Bristol Crown Court yesterday.

He said that by comparison with the classified military information at his disposal, the papers which RAYMOND WILLIAM handed over, were "purely of incidental interest."

In the closing stages of Williams's trial for corruption Mr Chadd said the prosecution had made the "easy but totally unfounded" allegation that he might have been testing the market, hoping to ensure higher prices for more dramatic disclosures.

Williams, 38, of Kingsmead West, Bath, was suspended and then resigned from his £10,800-a-year post as weapons expert at the Defence Ministry in Bath after being identified as the source of leaked information published by the OBSERVER.

He denies two charges of corruption which allege he received £1,500

Mr MICHAEL BRODRICK, prosecuting, urged the jury in his closing speech to reject the defence account that Williams approached the newspaper in the hope of securing long-term employment as a defence consultant.

He argued that Williams's actions were entirely consistent with those of a man corruptly and disloyally selling confidential information.

The trial was adjourned until today.

JAILED ARSON WOMAN MOVED TO HOSPITAL

Wendy Porter, 22, who is serving a life jail sentence for arson after setting fire to rubbish in a litter bin, had her sentence changed to a hospital order in the Court of Appeal yesterday.

Lord Lane, the Lord Chief Justice, said the court was "happy" he could now do what the trial judge could not—find her a hospital bed. And he made a renewed attack on the lack of special institutions for disturbed offenders, not necessarily mentally ill, for whom prison was entirely inappropriate.

Porter, unemployed, of Bridgemere, New Bradwell, Milton Keynes, Bucks, was sentenced at Aylesbury Crown Court last October by Judge Verney, who said it was "a scandal" that there was nowhere but prison he could send her. She will now go to Moss Side mental hospital, Liverpool, without limit of time.

ONE-LEG GIRL'S BICYCLE STOLEN

A bicycle specially made for its one-legged owner, Miss Imogen Wetton, 20, a student at York University who lost a leg because of cancer when she was 14, has been stolen.

Police appealed yesterday for the return of the £550 machine, which has only one pedal, with a foot rest on the other side for her artificial leg. It also has 12 special gears. Miss Wetton, of East Parade, York, said: "It is very difficult for anyone else to use."

FUGITIVE FACES KILLINGS CASE

By Our Belfast Staff

A fugitive arrested in London and transferred to Ulster, was charged at Belfast magistrates court yesterday with four murders committed 12 years ago. He was remanded in custody until Monday.

Robert James Watson, 45, who jumped bail in May, was accused of murdering four men, three by shooting and another by a bomb explosion. He is also accused of causing an explosion.

Young Tory's Tebbit joke angers party

A YOUNG Conservative who won first prize for a fancy dress send-up of the Brighton bombing ordeal of Mr Tebbit, Industry Secretary, was in hot water with the Tory party yesterday.

Harry Lerwill, 19, a member of the Young Tories' Wales executive, entered a nightclub competition dressed as Mr Tebbit in a dinner suit with a cardboard hat marked "The Grand Hotel."

There was also a reference to Mrs Margaret Tebbit, who is still in Stoke Mandeville hospital recovering from injuries sustained in the bombing last October.

But last night, Mr Dick Diamond, party officer responsible for Wales Young Conservatives, said: "It really was a stupid and totally feelingless piece of behaviour. He obviously had no sense of feeling for the people involved."

Officials of Caerphilly constituency association which Mr Lerwill represents on the YC executive will meet next month to consider his future.

Mrs Molly Barr, owner of Bilsters nightclub, Bargoed, Glamorgan and judge of the competition, said "I am very annoyed about the whole thing. But I did not hear the reference to Mrs Tebbit. He would not have won it had I known about that."

At his home in Park Place, Bargoed, Mr Lerwill, who is unemployed, said: "I would like to convey my deepest apologies to anyone who disliked the joke. It was done on the spur of the moment. But I have the deepest respect for Mr Tebbit."

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REAGAN PLEDGE OF PROSPERITY WITH PEACE

The following is the partial text of President Reagan's inaugural address:

FOUR years ago, I spoke to you of a new beginning and we have accomplished that.

But in another sense, our new beginning is a continuation of that beginning created two centuries ago; that break with the past when, for the first time in history, a people said: Government is not our master but our servant; and Government's only power will be that which we the people allow it to have.

Our bedrock principles have never failed us. But, for a time, we failed those principles.

Over recent years we asked things of the Federal Government that it was not equipped to give. We yielded authority to Government that properly belonged at local or state levels or in the hands of the citizenry.

We allowed taxes and inflation to rob us of our earnings and savings. We watched the great industrial machine that had made us the most productive people on earth slow and the number of unemployed mount.

By 1980, we knew it was time to embrace again the great promise of our American Revolution: time to renew our faith; to dream heroic dreams; to strive with all our strength toward the ultimate in individual freedom, consistent with an orderly society.

We believed then and repeat today: there are no limits to growth and human progress, when men and women are free to follow their dreams. And we were right to believe. Tax rates have been reduced, inflation cut dramatically and more people are employed than ever in history.

We are creating a new America, a rising nation once again vibrant, robust, and alive. But the promise of our Revolution was meant for all people for all future time. There are many mountains yet to climb.

We have come to a turning point, a moment for hard decisions.

I have asked the Cabinet and staff a question and now I put that same question to you. If not us, who? If not now, when? We know the answer. It must be done now, by all of us going forward with a programme aimed at reaching a balanced budget. We can then begin reducing the national debt.

Steps to control taxes and spending

I will shortly submit a budget to the Congress aimed at freezing Government programme spending for the next year. Beyond that we must take further steps to permanently control Government's power to tax and spend.

We must act now to protect future generations from Government's desire to spend its citizens' money and tax them into servitude when the bills come due. Let us make it unconstitutional for the Federal Government to spend more than it takes in.

Let us resolve that we the people will build an American opportunity society in which all of us, white and black, rich and poor, young and old, will go forward together, arm in arm.

Again, let us remember that, though our heritage is one of blood lines from every corner of the Earth, we are all Americans pledged to carry on this last, best hope of man on Earth.

Today, we utter no prayer more fervently than the ancient prayer for peace on Earth.

There are those in the world who scorn our vision of human dignity and freedom. One nation, the Soviet Union, has conducted the greatest military build-up in the history of man building arsenals of awesome, offensive weapons.

There is only one way safely and legitimately to reduce the cost of national security, and that is to reduce the need for it. This we are trying to do in negotiations with the Soviet Union.

Shield to destroy nuclear missiles

We are not just discussing limits on any further increase of nuclear weapons. We seek, *instead, to reduce them.* For the sake of each child in every corner of the globe, we seek, one day, the total elimination of nuclear weapons from the face of the Earth.

For decades, we and the Soviets have lived under the threat of mutual assured destruction; if either resorted to the use of nuclear weapons the other could retaliate and destroy the other.

Is there either logic or morality in believing that, if one side threatens to kill tens of millions of our people, our only resource is to threaten tens of millions of theirs?

We seek another way—a far better way. I have proved a research programme to see if a security shield can be developed that will destroy nuclear missiles before they reach their target.

Such a chied would not kill people but destroy weapons; it would not militarise space, but help demilitarise the rsenals of Earth.

Tear down brrriers

Let history say of us, these were golden years— when the American Revolution was reborn, when freedom gained new life, when America reached for her best.

At the heart of our efforts is one idea vindicated by 25 straight months of economic growth: freedom and incentives unleash the drive and entrepreneurial genius that are the core of human progress. We have begun to increase rewards for work, savings and investment, reduce the increase in the cost and size of Government and its interference in people's lives.

Rather than limit our challenge to growth, let us challeenge the limits of growth. We must simplify our tax system, make it more fair and bring tax rates down for all who work and earn.

We must think anew and move with new boldness, so every American who seeks work can find work; so the least among us have an equal chance to achieve the greatest things—to be heroes who heal our sick, feed the hungry, protect peace among nations, and leave this world a better place.

The time has come for a new American Emancipation — a great national drive to tear down economic barriers and liberate the spirit of enterprise in the most distressed areas of our country.

A dynamic economy, with more citizens working and paying taxes, will be our strongest tool to bring down budget deficits. But an almost unbroken 50 years of deficit spending has finally brought us to a time of reckoning.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta being greeted by a child yesterday when she arrived at a factory for handicapped workers in Peking on the final day of her visit to China. She wrote in the visitor's book: "God bless you all."

Arms-control team tough & bipartisan

By DAVID SHEARS in Washington

PRESIDENT REAGAN'S choice of arms-control negotiators is designed to stress both toughness and *bipartisanship*, factors which may improve prosperts of Congress ratifying any treaty they may eventually sign with Russia.

Mr Reagan is to meet his new team—Mr Max Kampelman, a conservative Democrat, former Republican Senator John Tower of Texas, and Mr Maynard Glitman, a career diplomat—at the White House today.

The senate was not ratified the Salt-2, Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty signed by President Carter and Mr Brezhnev in 1979. The pact ran into heavy Congressional resistance, and Mr Carter withdrew it from consideration after the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan.

Other arms control treaties of the 1970s also await ratification, notably pacts on limiting the size of nuclear tests.

Mr Tower showed during his years as chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee his unswerving support for the American military build-up. He was one of the leading Senate opponents of the Salt-2 Treaty.

But the ex-senator supported the Salt-1 agreement and the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty; and he advocates "dramatic and substantial reductions" in stocks of nuclear weapons.

Geneva talks

Mr Tower, 59, is respected as highly intelligent, knowledgeable, and a veteran of American politics.

Mr Kampelman, the new overall chief American negotiator, will also lead the United States team to the space weapons portion of the tripartite talks.

Although a protégé of the late Senator Hubert Humphrey, a thorough "liberal" in domestic politics, Mr Kampelman takes a hard line in foreign policy.

Mr Kampelman, 64, has considerable experience of dealing with Russia since he led the American delegation to the Madrid follow-up talks to the 35-nation Helsinki agreement on security and human rights in Europe.

Mr Glitman, 51, is the only one of the trio to have arms-control negotiating experience. A career diplomat, he was deputy leader of the intermediate-range missile talks in Geneva under Mr Paul Mitze.

After those talks broke up because of the Soviet walkout in late 1983, Mr Glitman took over the United States delegation to the Vienna talks on reducing conventional forces.

Spy-fever grips India as arrests continue

By BALRAM TANDON in New Delhi

INTELLIGENCE officials yesterday were reported to have arrested four more suspects in India's biggest spy scandal, as the country's Home Minister declared the Government "would not spare any person" found to have leaked State secrets to foreign agents.

Mr S. B. Chavan, Home Minister, told the Upper House of Parliament that his Government "would not hesitate in taking action against even the highest authority."

The United News of India said the four arrested men included a Deputy Secretary of the Defence Ministry and an official of the Commerce Ministry. It quoted unnamed intelligence sources as reporting that more than 20 arrests would be made in the next few days.

The latest arrests bring the total to 18, according to Government figures, since the espionage case, the largest in India's 37-year independence history, broke on Friday.

People "in sensitive positions in the Government" had been passing on classified documents and reports to an Indian who, in turn, transmitted them to an agent of a foreign power based in New Delhi, the Minister said in Parliament. The agent had been withdrawn "at India's request."

He did not name the alleged agent but was clearly referring to Lt-Col Alain Bolley, deputy military attaché in the French embassy, who abruptly left New Delhi on Sunday after being named in Press reports as a key figure.

'KGB supplied'

The Opposition caused uproar in the Indian Parliament yesterday, demanding a full-scale debate.

Some heatedly questioned the propriety of the Home Minister issuing a statement when members of the Prime Minister's staff had been arrested.

Indian newspapers named the Indian link as Commer Narain, a businessman representing a Bombay import company. In a lead story the Left-wing PATRIOT newspaper in New Delhi claimed at least five other diplomats from the Federal Republic of Germany and the United States were involved.

Another news story said Narain was supplying information to at least three agents of the Soviet secret service, the KGB.

Official sources in the Embassies of the United States, the Federal Republic of Germany and the Soviet Union denied the allegations.

The STATESMAN newspaper claimed that Indian Intelligence had collected all the evidence by November. But Mr Rajiv Gandhi, Prime Minister, delayed tthe arrests until after the elections, fearing the effect on voting.

Moscow poised to reap espionage windfall

By Air Cdre G. S. COOPER, Defence Staff

THE rapid departure of the French deputy military attaché alleged to have been spying in New Delhi has drawn wry smiles from Britain's military salesmen, long used to France's habit of giving total priority to the sale of French goods to the exclusion of Anglo-French products such as the Jaguar fighter.

But if France should lose by the current turn of events Russia might stand a better chance of gaining than Britain, judging by the recent postponement of the visit to India of Mr Heseltine, Britain's Defence Secretary.

Ostensibly the visit was postponed until March because of "post-election considerations." The TIMES OF INDIA, however, reported the decision was taken because of "adverse" bilateral relations caused by the activities in Britain of Sikh extremists.

India is negotiating with Russia to buy submarines, army equipment and a sophisticated navy surveillance system. Russia is selling India its advanced MiG-29 fighter, and if France should suffer from the spy scandal it will be further sales of the Mirage-2000 fighter that will be hit. The numbers of MiG-29s could be increased as a direct result.

Field-gun order

Nevertheless there is evidence that India would like to turn to West European countries for arms supplies, particularly for help in developing the national manufacture of submarines and aircraft.

Arms sales now account for 15 per cent. of Britain's total annual exports to India, which are worth £800 million.

New Delhi has bought Jaguars and Sea Harriers from Britain, and recently ordered Sea King helicopters with Sea Eagle missiles.

Mr Heseltine wants to discuss these and other planned projects with the Indian authorities, including an order for a 155mm field gun in which Britain is competing against France, Austria and Sweden, and the joint production of light combat aircraft.

FRENCH ISLE 'BACK TO SQUARE ONE'

By MICHAEL FIELD in Pais

PRESIDENT MITTERRAND'S expressed belief that talks can resume between the hostile factions in New Caledonia was undermined yestrrday by the negative reaction of the anti-independence party, the RPCR.

In Noumea it said M. Mitterrand's 12-hour visit there was "aimed at deceiving public opinion" and that there were "contradictions, obscurities and ambiguities" in his statement, articularly on the plan announced by M. Edgard Pisani, Government delegate, for independence in association with France to be reached through a referendum.

M. Jacques Lafleur, Neo-Gaullist Deputy in Paris for New Caledonia, said: "The Pisani plan was stillborn. I have the impression we're back to square one."

But what seems really to have annoyed the New Caledonians was M. Mitterrand's announcement that the emergency in the territory is to be prolonged.

Meanwhile M. Jean-Marie Tjibaou, speaking in Australia en route for France, made it clear that his "Kanak Provisional Government" intended to declare independence next Jan. 1, whatever happened. He is president of the militant Kanak Socialist Liberation Front (FLNKS) and is due in Paris tomorrow.

Opposition refusals

His arrival should be an indicator of the Opposition's attitude towards "associated independence."

Already M. Chirac and M. Barre have refused to see him. Former President Giscard d'Estaing also declines to see him "while he does not respect the laws of the Republic."

Cyprus referendum planned

By JOHN BULLOCH Diplomatic Staff

MR RAUF DENKTASH, the Turkish Cypriot leader, is expected to begin preparations for a referendum to endorse his declaration of an independent state in Northern Cyprus when he returns to the island this week.

Diplomats said this would be the first consequence of the breakdown of the weekend talks between the Greek and Turkish Cypriot groups at the United Nations in New York.

Last November the Turkish Cypriots proclaimed their independent state. Since then it has been recognised only by Turkey.

By holding a referendum, which is certain to endorse "independence," Mr Denktash expects to make it easier for sympathetic countries to enter into relations with his state. Pakistan is thought to be the one most likely to act first.

Greek and Turkish Cypriot negotiators blamed each other for the breakdown of the New York talks called by Senor Perez de Cuellar, the UN Secretary-General.

Divided since 1974

Cyprus has been divided since 1974 when Turkish troops invaded the island following the coup backed by the military junta in Greece. The coup had sought to install Nicos Sampson as President as a prelude to union with Greece.

Turkish troops eventually occupied 37 per cent. of the island though Turks account for only about 20 per cent. of the population.

In Senor de Cuellar's draft Turkish Cypriots agreed to return nine per cent of the land occupied by Turkish forces and to the 18,000 Turkish troops withdrawing. They also agreed that Turkish Cypriots would hold the Vice Presidency in a bizonal federation.

Greek Cypriots appeared to have accepted giving Turkish Cypriots a veto on certain internal legislation and, by accepting the territorial compromises proposed, would have implicitly abandoned claims to other areas, notably the rich farming land around Morphou.

CALL TO TALK AGAIN

Gap 'never so narrow'

OUR NEW YORK STAFF write: A vague understanding that the two sides in the Cyprus dispute would meet again at some later date was all that survived yesterday after the four days of talks at the United Nations.

At the end of the meetings the UN Secretary-General said that the gap between the two sides "had never been so narrow." He called for another session "before the end of February."

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News Round-up

'AXE-MAN' FOR AILING RENAULT

By MICHAEL FIELD in Paris

M. GEORGES BESSE, 57, head of Pechiney, the State-owned aluminium corporation, was yesterday appointed to lead the ailing Renault car and lorry group.

The appointment came shortly after the resignation of M. Bernard Hanon from the top job. Mr Besse, known for his firing of redundant staff and closure of uneconomic operations, will have the job of putting the motor group back on its feet.

The crisis over a loss by Renault of nearly £1 billion last year began after Mme. Edith Cresson, Industry Minister, criticised M. Hanon's management in a magazine interview and compared it unfavourably with that of the privately-owned Peugeot-Citroen.

M. Hanon became president in 1981 when Renault was doing well, thanks largely to its highly-successful R5 car. Five years later Renault was bottom of the European car league.

M. Hanon has been criticised for the feeble start with the new Super-Five car which, it was hoped, would recover the company's market. His defenders say the Socialist Government has made him a scapegoat.

'Leftist murder gang' seized

Police had detained every member of the Grapo Leftist terrorist gang operating in Spain although some were still free abroad, Senor Jose Barrionuevo, Minister of the Interior, said in Madrid. Planned murders in the next few weeks of politicians, Service officers, judges and businessmen had been foiled.

Detectives backed by special units based on Britain's SAS seized 18 alleged Grapo members, five of them women, in seven cities. In 10 years Grapo (First of October Anti-Fascist Revolutionary Group) has murdered 70 people and injured 90.

Bhopal plant safety pleas

India's Minister for Chemicals, told Parliament that safety inspectors had repeatedly told Union Carbide to reinforce precautionary measures because of accidents at the Bhopal pesticide plant. Last December some 2,500 people were killed by a gas leak.

Mr Veerendra Patel maintained that though the government was exploring prospects of suing Union Carbide for damages and compensation it would prefer an out-of-court settlement.

Sri Lanka 'will resettle north'

Sri Lanka's President Javewardene, rejecting demands of Tamils for an independent State in the north, said that majority Sinhalese would be settled there in the next two years, reflecting the nationwide proportion of 75 per cent. Sinhalese to 25 per cent. other races.

The bodies of 36 people, 27 of those from the armed services and 11 believed to be Tamil civilians, were recovered from the wreckage of the train mined in the Northern Province by Tamil guerrillas at the weekend.

Baader-Meinhof man blown up

A man "blown to pieces" in a bomb explosion in a Stuttgart suburb on Sunday was named as a member of the "Red Army Faction," better known as the Baader-Meinhof Gang.

A woman aged 25 was seriously injured in the blast as she and the dead man transported the bomb in a baby's pram. A series of bomb and arson attacks have accompanied a hunger-strike begun on Dec. 4 by more than 30 imprisoned members of the gang.

Dachau tour for Reagan

Plans for President Reagan to see the site of the former Nazi concentration camp at Dachau during a European visit in May would also include another fixture commemorating the end of the war in Europe 40 years ago, the West German Government said.

Herr Peter Boenisch, Chief Government spokesman described reports that Bonn opposed the Dachau visit as "pure fiction."

Envoy intervenes over detainees

Mr Arthur Wyatt, Acting High Commissioner in Nigeria, is to see the Nigerian Attorney-General today to discuss the continued detention of two British aircraft engineers.

Mr Kenneth Clark and Mr Angus Patterson were rearrested without explanation on Friday after the prosecution dropped a High Court case alleging conspiracy to steal an impounded aircraft.

Lubbers visit

Mr Lubbens, Netherlands Prime Minister, is to visit London on Saturday for talks with Mrs Thatcher.

Israelis on alert for rebel attack

By JOHN BULLOCH Diplomatic Staff

ISRAELI Army engineers yesterday began removing fortifications along the Awali River line in Lebanon in the first stage of the forces' pull out from the country.

Meanwhile combat troops went on to a new alert, believing Lebanese guerrillas would try to harass the withdrawal.

Since invading Lebanon in June, 1982, Israel has lost 608 men killed and more than 3,500 wounded.

By a majority vote the Israeli Cabinet decided on a unilateral withdrawal from Lebanon once the talks with the Beirut government, under United Nations auspice, appeared to have failed.

"Bringing the boys back home" was one of the central planks of the electoral programme put forward by Mr Shimon Peres, the Prime Minister and Labour leader, in last Summer's elections.

Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Likud leader due to become prime minister in 1986 under the deal which followed the tied election result, also favours withdrawal but with conditions. Such conditions, he says, have not been fulfilled.

Despite this Mr Peres, backed by Mr Rabin, Defence Minister, pushed through his withdrawal plan and was backed by three Likud ministers. The plan involves three stages:

Israeli troops quit the area around the large Moslem city of Sidon and pull back to a line running from just North of Tyre to Nabatiyeh and then North to Jebel Baruk. That operation to be completed by Feb. 18.

Then Israeli units facing the Syrians in the Bekaa Valley will move back to Hasbaya, straightening the line from Tyre through Nabatiyeh to the Syrian border in the foothills of Mount Hermon. No date has been set for completion.

Finally all Israeli troops will move back behind the international border. That operation will be completed by September.

Israel has specifically stated that it will reserve the right to launch operations back into Lebanon if terrorist actions are mounted against Upper Galilee.

It also intends to leave in place the "South Lebanon Army," the Christian and Shia militia which it has raised to police the frontier zone.

Israel had previously insisted that it would not leave unless Syria agreed to pull out at the same time. Syria has about 30,000 troops in North and East Lebanon and exercises considerable control over the government in Beirut.

UN envoy talks

Mr Brian Urquhart, the United Nations special envoy, was yesterday continuing his talks to try to arrange an expanded role for the UN force in Lebanon following the Israeli withdrawal.

The Beirut leaders have not been able to deploy Lebanon's Army in the South and there are widespread fears of intercommunal strife or even massacres. Israel has said it will not be responsible for anything that happens.

To fill the vacuum there are proposals that the 5,000-strong UNIFIL force from eight countries should be expanded and that UN observers should move into areas North of the Litani River evacuated by the Israelis.

The South Lebanese Army, now about 2,000 strong, is expected to disintegrate when the Israelies withdraw. A 500-strong "core" of Christians will probably move back with the Israeli Army to the frontier.

Dollar replaces shekel in Israeli budget

By MAIER ASHER in Jerusalem

FOR the first time in Israel's history the Treasury has presented a budget in American dollars instead of shekels, the national currency. Mr Yitshak Modai, Finance Minister, described the switch as "temporary."

Presenting his $23 billion budget to Parliament he said that at nearly 700 shekels to the dollar, and with the spiralling inflation rate running at nearly 1,000 per cent. annually, the budget needed a solid basis for calculation.

The 1985-86 budget, one third of which goes to the payment of government debts and more than 20 per cent. on defence, envisages sharp cuts in state spending, higher taxes, a lower level of economic activity, lower inflation and reduction of the balance of payments deficit.

In theory, the projected expenditure is $1·8 billion dollars lower than last year.

But Israelis, wisened by past experience, suspect that the government will again not be capable of implementing the projected cuts and reducing the spending of the bureaucracy.

'Threat to security'

The minister's statement declared: "Israel's economic situation today represents a severe threat to its security."

Drastic cuts of nearly $300 million dollars are provided in defence spending. But Mr Rabin, Defence Minister, pointed out that at a time when Syria had put in the field a fresh Soviet-armed division, the cut in Israel's armed forces amounted to a "lack of responsibility."

He said the nation depended on the Army's performance and the budget as proposed would prevent it from doing its job.

BOMBS HIT TEMPLE

Nine bombs yesterday badly damaged central Java's 1,100-year Borobudur temple, one of the world's great architectural manuments and the largest single Buddhist temple in the world.

President Suharto denounced the bombers, believed to be Moslem extremists, who placed explosives among the 76 well-shaped towers on the multi-tiered temple, 250 miles east of Jakarta.—UPI.

AREA USED TO KIDNAPS, SAYS PRIEST

By ROBIN GEDYE in Warsaw

A POLISH Interior Ministry general yesterday denied that he was involved in a cover-up in the kidnap and murder of Fr Jerzy Popieluszko, the pro-Solidarity priest.

Dressed in a grey business suit, Gen Zenon Platek, said at the trial of four policemen that he had conducted extensive investigations into the priest's disappearance. He acted on learning a police car had been involved in the kidnap.

Fr Jozef Nowakowski, a local Torun clergyman, said there had been a series of kidnappings in the region where Fr Popieluszko was abducted.

"The pattern was the same. There were always cars, guns and handcuffs involved. But these people were all found so I believed it would be the same with Fr Popieluszko."

Solidarity activists have said that a group calling itself "the anti-Solidarity organisation" had abducted and beaten at least five people before the priest's murder.

Mrs Barbara Stery, secretary to Capt Grzegorz Piotrowski, 53, one of the three policemen accused of the priest's murder, broke down while giving evidence yesterday.

Her testimony reinforced doubts about a denial by Col Adam Pietruszka, 47, charged with instigating the murder, that he tried to obstruct the murder investigation by concealing his own involvement in the plot to kidnap the priest last Oct. 19.

She said she was afraid of Col Pietruszka whom she described as a "vicious" man. She began weeping after the judge told her that she need not answer incriminating questions.

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ATOM TEST SAFETY RULES 'VIGOROUSLY FOLLOWED'

By A. J. McILROY

GREAT care was taken in autumn 1952 to ensure that all personnel involved in the 28-day nuclear test on the Monte Bello Islands off the north-west coast of Australia, were not exposed to contamination, Maj. Gen. ALEC WALKLING, the man responsible for safety at the scene, said yesterday.

There were no cases where decontamination of those in the Task Force on return from contaminated areas was not successful, said the 66-year-old retired general.

All safety procedures were "rigorously and scrupulously" adhered to and no person involved suffered any effects that could be biologically dangerous.

A total of 91 recovery and salvage parties with their boats' crews were put ashore and all returned safety through the control system surrounding this first operation of its kind, he said.

Gen. Walkling, from Camberley, Surrey, was giving evidence in London to the Royal Commission established by the Australian government to inquire into the British nuclear tests that were conducted during the 12 years from Jan. 1, 1952.

The hearing is now in its third week.

In the first week. Mr MICHAEL STEPHENS, 51, a former Naval rating, of Southampton, told how he served on the aircraft carrier Campania in 1952 when it was present at nuclear tests in the Monte Bello Islands.

At the time of the blast, he said, the ship's company went on deck. "When we turned round to look, we could see it was a horribly dirty bomb, having been exploded at sea level."

Despite decontamination checks, he said he had kept his seaboots worn at the time while ferrying scientists to the test site. He had kept them as a souvenir of the blast.

On returning to England they were described as "slightly warm"—that is, still mildly radioactive, the inquiry was told.

Emotional subject

Pressed yesterday on radiation doses by Mr PETER MCCLELLAN, counsel for the Commission, Gen. WALKLING said:

"At the time, just as it is now, the philosophy is that it is better to have no contamination or dose at all."

Radiation was a very emotional subject, he added. Like a medical student at his studies, it was easy to imagine one had got it when one was looking at the subject.

The general said the limit set at the time was three Roentgens before there could be any biological significance. Even up to 10 Roentgens there would be no danger. The measures of Roentgens was the prevailing measure.

"My own dosage was 2·67R and it did not cause me any concern," he said.

Gen. WALKLING, who was leader of the Technical Division at the first nuclear test, code-named "Hurricane," on Monte Bello Islands, said that he was involved in the planning stage drawing up the relevant trials orders in co-operation with Naval staff.

The overall safety policy was that no man was to be exposed to any radiation unless this was essential to the execution of the operation.

"Where deemed necessary, external exposure was to be kept as low as possible and was *in no circumstances to exceed* the maximum levels which was agreed in advance by the Radiological Protection Committee of the Medical Research Council."

Gen. Walkling then went on to give details of instructions for the wearing of respirators, control of distillation of sea water, and the regulations for wearing full protective clothing in contaminated areas.

A radiologically "clean" side was set up around the test site in which re-entry parties would change into protective clothing consisting of suits, hats, neck scarves, respirators, rubber gloves and rubber boots.

All personnel were issued with individual film badges to record exposures and with pocket dosimeters for quick reference to accumlated exposure during their sorties.

Gen. Walkling said: "Another important pre-trial function was the involvement of Naval staff in training Task Force personnel over the effects of nuclear tests of this kind. March training was carried out en route from the United Kingdom.

"Pre-trial measures has been described in some detail to demonstrate the care that was taken to anticipate eventualities as far as possible in an operation that was the first of its kind."

He said there was an incident when smoke from ashore passed over Tracker, one of the Task Force ships. "This was an insignificant fraction of exposure regarded as permissible at the time," he said.

Questioned by Mr McClellan, he went on: "There were some cases where a small number of men had to be released with a minimal amount of contamination after tests. But they were to return for further checks.

"We are talking here about absolute minimals. You would be into fractions of fractions."

Respirator trouble

Gen. Walkling said that at one stage during Operation Hurricane the permitted radiation level had to be raised because in the heat people were having trouble with their respirators.

"People were more likely to die from heat than from radiation," he said. "The respirators were filling up with sweat and clouding the eye-pieces."

He said that for some of those on survey work the rules were modified, but he insisted that the contamination level was still extremely minimal.

He agreed that about 30 personnel involved in the operation had recorded between 3 and 4·7 röntgens, two of which were over 4. But these figures were not significant levels.

Talking of the operation, he said the contamination was higher and "it was a slightly dirtier explosion" than had been expected. "It was what I call a dirty one."

He added that there was no question that the people carrying out the operation were not prepared. It was not a case that "no one had a clue what would happen."

The inquiry was adjourned until today.

FIJI VICTIMS OF CYCLONES

Ten thousand or more Fiji islanders need food and shelter after two cyclones that killed at least 23 people last week, say aid officials in Suva.

Several people have been reported missing, and the death toll may rise. Help has been offered by Australia, New Zealand, the United States and Britain, which has given £47,000 and said more help could be provided.—Reuter.

Radiation meters to be supplied to U.S. Army

By Air Cdre G. S. COOPER Defence Staff

THE British subsidiary of an American firm has won a key £5 million contract to supply the United States Army with nuclear-radiation exposure meters British Army.

The completion of contract negotiations with the Nuclear Controls Division of Fisher Controls based at Lewisham, means success for another Memorandum of Understanding signed by Britain and America.

The Fisher Personal Dosimetry System consists of a locket worn by each soldier round the wrist or neck and a "reader" that enables the local commander to find out from the lockets how much radiation each of his men has received when fighting in a tactical nuclear war.

The effects of radiation are not immediately obvious. For morale reasons the equipment does not let the individual soldier see what radiation he has accumulated, but it allows his commander to make an assessment and if possible withdraw those most in need of treatment and protection from further exposure.

For a commander who knows there can be no going back, the equipment also gives the information he needs to deploy his force as effectively and for as long as possible. In short, it enables him to make realistic plans in situations of nuclear attack or defence.

The market for equipment that lets field commanders calculate the radiation exposure of their combat groups is expected to top $100 million. Fisher Controls has established a unique position as world market leader with this type of measurement equipment kit.

BETTING CHEAT 'OFFERED NEW BOOKIE'S JOB'

Derek James, a betting shop manager who was convicted last week of cheating his employers, Coral Racing, of £1,500 walked free from Gloucester Crown Court yesterday after receiving a suspended sentence—and said he had been offered another job at a new bookmaker's in Swindon Road, Cheltenham.

James, 40, of Campion Close, Gloucester, was convicted of nine charges of theft and three of false accounting. He was given a 15-month sentence suspended for two years and ordered to pay £500 costs by Judge Anthony Bulger.

PICTURE: PAUL ARMIGER

The artist Terence Cuneo waving from the side of the Flying Scotsman as the express steamed into Marylebone Station yesterday to launch a series of five train stamps which he designed and which go on sale today. The express, hauled by the locomotive Sir Nigel Gresley, is portrayed on the 17p stamp. Other values are the 22p (Golden Arrow), 29p (Cheltenham Flyer), 31p (Royal Scot) and 34p (Cornish Riviera).

ADVERTS 'WOULD HARM BBC'

PROGRAMME standards at the BBC would drop if the corporation were forced to take advertising for its revenue, Mr Alasdair Milne, the director general, said yesterday.

Explaining the BBC's opposition to suggestions that it should take advertising, he told Cardiff businessmen at a dinner:

"Programme standards could not conceivably remain the same if the entire national broadcasting system were based on advertising revenue and if all broadcasters had to turn to the same pot of gold for their finance."

He said that there was no "particular dispensation" from on high in Britain to absolve broadcasting from the consequences which had followed in America, Australia and Canada from seeking to finance programming overwhelmingly from commercial revenue.

Mr Milne said the BBC was united in rejecting advertising, "not out of some toffee-nosed horror but out of a deep conviction that there ought to remain in Britain one sector of broadcasting in which programmes are not interrupted, one sector in which the numbers of listeners and viewers for a given programme are not decisively important."

SOUTH BANK TICKETS SALES RISE

By HARVEY LEE Arts Staff

A £200,000 publicity campaign to popularise London's South Bank concert halls has produced a "genuine reversal" to end a decade of declining audiences, the GLC has claimed.

Audience figures show a four per cent. rise in the average number of seats sold for each performance at the Royal Festival Hall, from 65 per cent. in 1983 to 67 per cent. last year.

Ticket sales for the Queen Elizabeth Hall were up one per cent. and those for the Purcell Room two per cent. over the year.

More than one million people attended concerts on the South Bank in 1984.

The figures for the calendar year are marginally better than the improved audience figures recently published for the "concert year," which traditionally ends in August.

Mr Peter Pitt, GLC arts and recreation committee chairman, said: "Our initiatives to attract more people to the halls continue to pay off. Our investment has not just produced a brief fillip for the figures, but rather a genuine reversal in the long-term decline that was blighting the South Bank."

The Labour-controlled council has pursued an open foyer policy to attract younger, less affluent, people to the South Bank complex.

An experimental Children's Festival, held for 10 days over the Christmas holidays, used the foyer for workshops given by the London Festival Ballet and clowns, while 3,000 youngsters filled the Purcell Room for children's shows. Previously, the Purcell Room has been closed during the Christmas period.

DISMEMBERED BODY CHARGE

A man accused of disposing of his wife's body intending to prevent an inquest was remanded in custody for three days at Thames magistrates court, East London yesterday.

Nicholas Boyce, 37, a charge-hand cleaner of Roman Road, Bethnal Green, was charged with disposing of the body of Christabel Boyce whose dismembered corpse was found in plastic bags in two different parts of London.

Cost cuts 'will curtail homes for elderly'

By DAVID FLETCHER Health Services Correspondent

HUNDREDS of nursing homes will revert to caring for private patients if the Government persists in proposals for limiting fees they can charge to State-assisted patients, the Registered Nursing Home Association said yesterday.

Its warning reinforces a statement by the Association of Charity Officers that many elderly people will be forced to turn to charity to pay for a place in a nursing or residential home as a result of DHSS plans.

The fears of the two associations are prompted by Government plans to cut the cost of keeping old people in homes by limiting the level of fees which the homes can charge.

The homes currently charge anything from £51 to £295 a week and the fees are met by social security for those who cannot pay out of their own pocket.

Two years ago the cost to social security amounted to £39 million a year but increasing fees and increasing numbers of old people seeking places in homes has pushed that figure to an estimated £200 million.

The Department of Health and Social Security, alarmed *at the rate of this increase*, has imposed a freeze on current spending levels and is proposing to limit the charges homes can make from next spring.

Mentally ill

Old people's homes will be able to charge up to £120 a week; those for the mentally ill up to £130 a week; nursing homes up to £148·60 a week and homes for the physically handicapped up to £180 a week.

Mr Stanley Davis, general secretary of the Registered Nursing Home Association, which represents 600 out of the 1,200 nursing homes, condemned the proposals as unworkable.

He said: "Homes cannot be fitted into these neat Civil Service categories because they look after patients who fall into different categories.

"If these proposals go ahead homes will either close down because the fees are so unrealistic, provide a second class utility service which would lead to their expulsion from our association or they will try to work at the DHSS level and go bust."

He said the fees ought to be fixed in accordance with market levels and this would suggest weekly charges between £140 to £220 according to the part of the country and the level of facilities provided.

"If the DHSS imposes its proposed fees it is inevitable that homes will gradually be forced to close their doors to those dependent on the state to pay their fees.

"They will revert to being homes solely for private patients paying their own fees and this is surely a retrograde step."

Age Concern, the national old people's welfare council, said they had had a large number of calls from families worried that an elderly relative would be forced to leave his or her nursing home as a result of the Government's proposals.

A spokesman said: "We have written to Mr Fowler, Social Services Secretary, telling him that many families are very distressed about the situation.

"Some of them say they have been told by their local social security offices that their fees will no longer be paid at the existing level when the new arrangements come into force.

"Some of the homes will not be able to make ends meet at the proposed levels and will convert their accommodation into self-catering flats. It is all extremely worrying."

Weekly visit

Social services departments say that it is generally cheaper to let old people stay at home but keep an eye on them by providing a weekly visit by a home help or social worker.

But they say this option is becoming increasingly difficult because rate-capping and local authority spending cutbacks cause money for these services to be harder to find.

The Health Department has just imposed a 40 per cent. cut in the amount local authorities can borrow to build homes and provide facilities for the elderly, physically disabled and mentally ill or handicapped.

The reduction, which takes effect in April, will reduce borrowing limits from £116 million to £70 million. Leaders of the Association of Directors of Social Services are seeking a meeting with Mr Fowler to ask for a review of the proposals.

Lodging aid curb 'will put young on streets'

By OUR LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

PROPOSALS to cut board and lodging payments to social security claimants could force thousands of young people on to the streets and cause widespread closure of hostels for the homeless, it was claimed yesterday.

The National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders described *the proposals as a "blunt instrument"* which will seriously damage thousands of the most vulnerable in society.

In a submission to the Government objecting to the proposals it urged a rethink of the plan which is designed to limit soaring costs and end abuses by young people using the system to take seaside "holidays."

The changes, it argued would make it impossible for many homeless people to find hostel places and could also prevent courts from sentencing offenders to live in probation hostels.

Aim supported

The new rules ban all but a handful of 18-year-olds from claiming board and lodging allowances. Adults will only be allowed to claim for a maximum of two to four weeks when they are outside their local social security areas.

The association supported the Government's aim of taking action against unscrupulous landlords and claimants that abuse board and lodging payments. But it argues that the proposals fail to distinguish between circumstances of clear abuse and those where payments are meeting a "desperate need."

For newly homeless people, there were often no appropriate hostels or boarding houses within their area and they would be forced to seek accommodation outside their local office area.

Homes lacking

Unless they fell within certain categories, 16 and 17 year olds would be unable to claim board and lodging payments.

Relatively few of these young people had left home of choice or had adequate homes to which they could return, said the Association.

The result could be a large increase in the numbers of young people sleeping rough and cities, particularly London, could expect an influx of the vulnerable young.

Income of hostels would be reduced "so dramatically that widespread closures are likely," claimed the association.

PENSIONS BACKLOG REMAINS

By Our Health Services Correspondent

EMERGENCY arrangements for the payment of pensions are to remain in force until June, the Department of Health and Social Security announced yesterday.

Although strikers at DHSS computer centres in Newcastle and Washington resumed work after an eight-month strike today, it will be 20 weeks before all pension payments are back to normal.

The Department said that 550,00 pension order books would be printed each week to catch up with the backlog.

But it would take 20 weeks to isue fresh order books to all seven million pensioners who receive weekly payments. The emergency payment arrangements, introduced to overcome the effects of the strike, would remain in force for that period.

Arrangements to pay the 450,000 pensioners who receive their pension by four-weekly or quarterly orders by post should be back to normal by the end of this month.

Child benefit

Child benefit payments have also been hit by the strike but were not as badly affected as pensions. The DHSS expects child benefit to be back to normal by the end of this month.

A total of £85 million was spent overcoming the effect of the strike up to the end of last year and the total sum, up to next June, is expected to be almost twice that.

NEW HOME FOR BADGERS

A family of suburban badgers which has been playing havoc on a private golf course owned by Selsdon Park Hotel, Croydon, is to be given a new home.

The Ministry of Agriculture has given permission for the badgers to be trapped and then transported a few miles before being released in Egham, in the grounds of the Royal Holloway College, part of the University of London.

Virgin Atlantic wins praise in secret BA report

By Air Cdre G. S. COOPER Air Correspondent

BRITISH AIRWAYS has praised its cut-price trans-Atlantic competitor Virgin Atlantic in a "secret" report that credits the British airline with being more of a threat than America's People Express.

Virgin said it obtained a copy of the report, commissioned by the State airline for its directors, from a BA "mole."

BA chiefs are understood to be embarrassed that the report has been leaked.

Virgin plans to use contents in an advertising campaign under the theme that Virgin is the favourite *airline* of the airline that claims to be the world's favourite.

A BA spokesman said: "We are talking to our lawyers about the legality of another airline using information from an internal report as the basis for advertising."

Style and flair

According to Virgin, the report, written last July, said: "Even at this stage I believe that the threat posed by Virgin Atlantic is greater than that posed by People Express."

Virgin's passengers are "quite sophisticated trend-setter types" and BA has a number of lessons to learn from the new airline, according to the report.

There is a "style and flair" attached to Virgin, stemming from the image of its chief, Mr Richard Branson, the record and leisure millionaire.

BA's respect for Virgin is echoed by Virgin's respect for BA. In an address to the Commons Aviation Committee last week, Mr Branson said "British Airways are hundreds of times bigger.

"We are completely at their mercy; nose-to-nose price competition for us would be like joining a bleeding competition with a blood bank."

The BA report is based on experience of travelling on a Virgin flight. The "young, smart and attractive" cabin crew are given good marks for an "enthusiastic service" with "good catering."

LIBEL AWARD TO NIGERIA'S SECURITY CHIEF

The BBC yesterday paid "substantial" libel damages to Mr Alhadji Umaru Ali Shinkafi, Nigeria's former Director General of Security and his wife Rakiyat, a barrister, over allegations of corruption, the High Court in London was told yesterday.

On a Checkpoint programme on Radio 4, it was suggested that Mr Shinkafi did not pursue allegations against Chief Nzeribe of illegal currency dealings because he was a close friend. It was also claimed that the chief was not averse to oiling the wheels with bribes.

The BBC mistakenly thought it had a receipt signed by Mrs Shinkafi but now freely accepted that this was not so. Mr Andrew Caldercott, for the BBC, apologised and said there was no truth in the allegations.

PIER TAKEOVER

The council-owned Wellington Pier, Great Yarmouth, is to be taken over by a property company Tenant Developments and turned into a £3,500,000 leisure complex.

P&O FERRY STAFF MADE REDUNDANT

By Our Shipping Correspondent

THE bulk of the P and O Ferries shore staff at Southampton was given notice of redundancy yesterday following the £12 million takeover by its former rival, European Ferries, which owns the Townsend Thoresen fleet.

Only 21 of the 136 staff will be retained even though the takeover means Townsend will operate 6,600 extra Channel crossings this year.

Other P and O staff also face redundancy, including seamen and shore staff in Dover and London.

P and O services will be absorbed into those of Townsend. "Our expansion cannot have come at a better time," Townsend said yesterday.

"Bookings so far support forecasts that 1985 will be the year of the car, given the rise in air package costs and the increasing sophistication of holidaymakers who want to go it alone."

Night fare cuts

The takeover added five ships to the Townsend capacity, which is more than it needs. So some middle-of-the-night fares are being cut by £16 compared with last year to try to win extra traffic.

Townsend's main rival, Sealink, said yesterday it will start its new "up-market" service from Portsmouth to the Channel Islands on March 31. Two ships, the Earl William and the Earl Granville, are to be rebuilt in Denmark to cut capacity from 1,200 passengers to only 400 a ship to provide ocean liner standards of comfort and service.

1 million up

OUR SHIPPING CORRESPONDENT writes: Trippers from Britain gave the port of Dunkirk more than a million passengers in a year for the first time in 1984, a rise of more than 11 per cent. on 1983. Tonnage of cross-Channel goods traffic at the port also showed a sharp increase, up by 42 per cent. at 2,700,000 tons.

LOG BOOKS HELP FISHING WATCH

By Our Agriculture Correspondent

British fishery officials yesterday became the first in the EEC to issue log books to trawlers as part of a community-wide campaign against illegal fishing. At first 4,000 log books will be sent to boats more than 10 metres (32·8ft) long.

From April all EEC vessels will have to make daily records of catches. Details will be fed into national and EEC Commission computers so that catches can be monitored. An EEC fisheries "police" force has been set up with powers to board vessels for spot checks.

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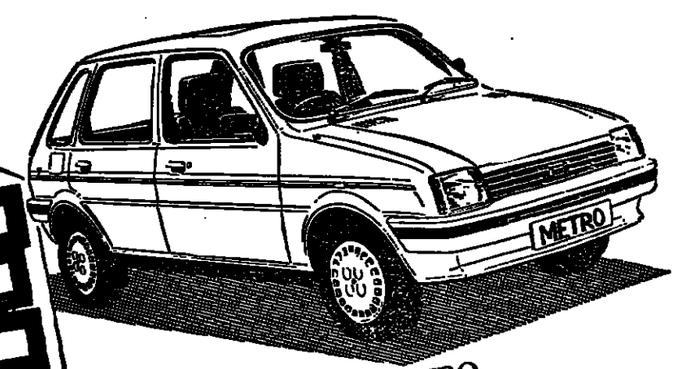

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Yesterday in Parliament

PEOPLE OF HONGKONG BEING DECEIVED SAYS POWELL

By PETER PRYKE Parliamentary Correspondent

THE Government was accused by Mr ENOCH POWELL in the Commons last night of deceiving the people of Hongkong about their right to come to Britain once the territory has been handed over to the Chinese in 1997.

The three million residents of Hongkong are to have a new category of British nationality conferred upon them, to be known as British National (Overseas).

Sir GEOFFREY HOWE, Foreign Secretary, stressed during the second reading debate on the Hongkong Bill that this would not give any rights of admission and settlement in Britain.

But Mr POWELL (O U P., Down S.) declared that whatever was said it would not disabuse people of the idea that they would be able to enter Britain at will, once they had been given a form of British nationality and a British passport.

"We are using a terminology that is calculated to deceive, will deceive and perhaps is intended to deceive," he said.

'False position'

Before 1997 there could be political changes in China which would create "an overpowering desire to those in Hongkong to secure admission to the United Kingdom.

Britain would then be told that it had chosen to give a new status of what it called British nationality, and would be asked how it could refuse admission to British nationals.

"We shall be placing them and ourselves in a false position to our discredit and their disappointment in the years to come."

Sir GEOFFREY said it was the Government's intention that the new category of nationality should carry broadly the same benefits as British Dependent Territories Citizenship, except that it could not be passed on to a new generation.

Consular protection

He was asked by Mr PETER BRUINVELS (C., Leicester E.) if it would confer any priority on its holders over other people wishing to come to Britain.

Sir GEOFFREY replied: "There is no intention to effect any change of that kind."

Holders of the new status would be able to use British passports. They would be eligible for consular protection in third countries.

The new status, to be implemented by an order of Council within the next 18 months, will also be available to anyone who might otherwise become stateless, including children born after the hand-over.

'Patience and skill'

Mr DENIS HEALEY, Shadow Foreign Secretary, praised the agreement with the Chinese on handing over as a triumph for Foreign Office diplomats after "disastrous" interventions by the Prime Minister.

Mrs Thatcher's first visit two years ago so offended the Chinese that the possibility of any agreement over Hongkong seemed capable of disappearing.

"The recovery is due to the fact that the Foreign Office has shown so much patience and skill in undoing the damage at that time."

Also criticising the Prime Minister's "arrogant" handling of the anxieties of the people in Hongkong during her recent visit, Mr Healey asked the Foreign Secretary to put a stop to her interventions.

"I hope he can assure us he will not allow the Prime Minister to go on barging about like Rhoda the Rhino, with her usual arrogant incompetence on issues she clearly does not understand."

Such a move by Sir Geoffrey would ensure him a lot of support in the Cabinet, not least from the Chancellor, Mr Lawson, after the irresponsibility of No. 10 on the exchange rate.

Confessing to admiration for some of the Prime Minister's qualities, Mr Healey said amid laughter: "I don't think there is anyone in the Cabinet with whom I would rather go tiger shooting.

"I would absolutely insist before we set out hat she fully appreciated the difference between a tiger and an elephant, particularly the one I was riding.

"In future, when the Foreign Secretary takes the Prime Minister abroad with him he would be wise to take similar precautions."

The Hongkong Bill provides for the termination of British sovereignty and jurisdiction over Hongkong from July 1, 1997, and for the changes in British nationality laws necessary as a consequence of the agreement with the Chinese government.

'Acceptable' deal

Sir GEOFFREY claimed that there had been ample demonstration that the agreement was acceptable to MPs and the people of Hongkong.

"We now need to move rapidly to ratify and implement the agreement so that the renewed confidence that has been established in the territory with the publication of the agreement and its signature can be secured and strengthened."

He said that the new title, British National (Overseas) had ben the subject of careful consultations with the Hongkong Executive Council.

The new title needed to make clear that it was a form of British nationality. Nothing less would be acceptable in Hongkong.

On the other hand, it was essential that the title could continue to be used after 1997. For this to be posible, the title had to carry no implication of a continuing constitutional relationship between Britain and Hongkong after 1997.

If it was thought desirable to incorporate the new title in the Bill, this could be done in the Lords.

Sir PETER BLAKER, (C. Blackpool S) described the agreement as "remarkable," and said it would preserve the traditional way of life of people in the colony.

Mr POWELL: We shall be placing them and ourselves in a false position.

Sir GEOFFREY: New title was the subject of careful consultations.

STRONGER SMELL FOR GAS OPPOSED

A suggestion by Mrs Angela Rumbold (C. Mitcham and Morden) that North Sea gas be given a stronger smell to enable earlier detection of leaks to prevent gas explosions, was rejected by the Government yesterday.

Any increase in smell resulted in false alarms which could divert resources from real emergencies, Mr Peter Bottomley, Employment Minister, said in a Commons written reply.

Firm line on uneconomic pits issue

By WILLIAM WEEKES Parliamentary Staff

THERE was no hope of ending the coal strike if miners' leaders were not prepared to discuss uneconomic pits, Mr EDWARDS, Welsh Secretary, said in the Commons yesterday.

Mr Edwards attributed the apparent sudden willingness among NUM leaders to negotiate to the fact that 40 per cent. of miners had voted with their feet and were at work.

"I welcome the fact that Mr Scargill has apparently said he is willing to negotiate, but I note he has said absolutely nothing at all about his willingness to negotiate on uneconomic pits," he said.

Referring to the present "critical situation," Mr BARRY JONES, Shadow Minister for Wales, urged Ministers to encourage "a negotiated, principled settlement which will heal the divisions in our society.

"The whole nation is now looking to the Prime Minister and the Cabinet to display statesmanship in their attitude to the dispute, which encompasses very much suffering," he said.

Mr EDWARDS said of course the Government encouraged a negotiated settlement, but he added: "There have been seven rounds of negotiations so far in which Mr Scargill has not moved one single inch. That is why we are in the present situation."

The Coal Board had moved and made clear in its negotiations with Nacods, the pit deputies, that it could reach a settlement which would offer a sensible future for the industry.

Responding to calls for an independent inquiry into future energy needs, Mr EDWARDS said he did not see at the moment how another general review of the future of the mining industry would be helpful, coming on top of the three conducted in comparatively recent times.

An unsuccessful attempt to get an emergency debate on the strike was made by Mr JEREMY CORBYN (Lab. Islington N) one of the MPs who took part in the incident last week which led to the Commons being suspended.

'SUICIDE LINK' INQUIRY IS REJECTED

A CALL for a special inquiry to investigate links between suicide and unemployment was rejected by the Government in the Lords yesterday.

The issue was raised at Question Time by Lord HATCH of LUSBY (Lab.), who said a Government report from the Central Statistical Office found higher levels of divorce, alcoholism and illness among people who lost their jobs between 1979 and 1983.

Another survey from the Social Statistics Research Institute showed that unemployment led to suicide and premature death in men, he added.

"These findings warrant a Government investigation on the effects of unemployment on this very large percentage of our workforce," urged Lord Hatch.

Lord GLENARTHUR, Social Services Under-Secretary, replied: "The researchers don't claim that their work proves conclusively that premature death is directly attributable to unemployment. It is difficult to isolate the effects of unemployment from other effects on health."

Water rate increase 'for more investment'

By WALTER ABURN Parliamentary Staff

HIGHER rates would allow water authorities to invest more in water and sewerage, ensuring that the consumer, not the taxpayer, paid for improved services, said the Earl of AVON, Environment Under Secretary, yesterday in the Lords.

In a Question Time exchange the Earl of KINNOULL (C) asked him to agree that unjustified and excessive profits would be to the detriment of consumers.

What justification was there for the Thames Water Authority to produce aggregated profits for 1985/86 in excess of £70 million, which a 12 per cent. increase in charges would produce? asked Lord Kinnoull.

Lord AVON said that requiring water authorities to achieve a rate of return on their assets was sound business practice. It ensured resources were used to best advantage.

Baroness BIRK, Opposition Environment spokesman, questioned what logic there was in compelling water authorities to raise charges to the taxpayer at a time when local authorities were forced to do exactly the opposite.

Serious blow

Increasing the cost of an essential commodity was a serious blow to manufacturing industry. Both industrial and domestic consumers were suffering from the Government's action.

Lord AVON said somebody had to pay so that the water authorities could undertake more works in water and sewerage. The higher return meant the consumer and not the taxpayer paid for improved service.

Lord DEAN of BESWICK (Lab) said one leading authority was refusing to act as a tax collector for the Chancellor of the Exchequer. He questioned if additional legislation would be needed to force water authorities to carry out the Ministerial bidding.

Lord AVON said he did not agree this was indirect taxation and the problem did not arise. A rate of return of 1 per cent. was too low and one of 1·4 per cent. would be about right.

Today in Parliament

HOUSE OF LORDS

2.30: Food and Environment Protection Bill, repeal: Dangerous Vessels Bill, committee.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

2.30: Debate on the Supplementary Estimate for the Budget of the European Communities; Education (Corporal Punishment) Bill, 2nd reading.

DEATHS, IN MEMORIAM

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LETTY.—On Jan. 18, suddenly, in Melbourne, Australia, WILLIAM TREVOR, aged 54, dearly beloved husband of Joan, father of Olwen, Nigel and Martin, a loving grandfather, son of Lillian, of Plymouth, Devon, brother of John, Howard and Mary. All have treasured memories.

LEWIS.—On Jan. 19, 1985, peacefully, ELWYN BYRON LEWIS, M.B.E., M.I.Mar.E., aged 65 years, of Westward, Old Polzeath, Cornwall, dearly loved and devoted husband of Kathleen (nee Gay), dearest father of Margaret and dearest grandfather of David, Clare and Katherine. Funeral service Penmount Crematorium, Truro, Friday, Jan. 25, 11.30 a.m. Flowers may be sent to Chapel of Rest, Bridgend, Wadebridge.

LING.—On Jan. 15, after a long illness most bravely borne, GEORGINA GERALDINE FARNALL, aged 71, of Hapsford House, Frome, dearest wife of Roger, mother of Frances, Christopher and Stephen and grandmother of 10 grandchildren. Funeral has taken place.

LIPPENS.—On Jan. 20, 1985, suddenly but peacefully after a short illness, Countess LYDIA LIPPENS (Susie), of Boslaan 45, 8300, Knokke, Belgium. Funeral private. No flowers. Donations if desired to The Dogs Home, 4, Battersea Park Road, London, S.W.8.

LONGES.—On Jan. 21, 1985, peacefully, at home, ELLEN, aged 95 years, of Betchworth, Surrey, much loved by her family. Funeral service on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at 3 p.m., at Betchworth Church. No flowers, by request. Donations, if wished, for St Michael's Church, Betchworth, Fabric Fund, c/o Sherlock & Sons, Trellis House, Dorking.

LORRAINE.—On Jan. 19, peacefully at his home in St Leonards-on-Sea, KEITH, aged 89 years. Funeral service Monday, Jan. 28, 2 p.m., North Chapel, Hastings Crematorium. Family flowers only. Donations if desired may be sent to the Hastings Voluntary Association for the Blind, 19, Sussex Chambers, Hastings.

LOVE.—On Jan. 18, peacefully, MAURICE HENRY, of Bexhill-on-Sea, a beloved husband, dad and grandad and a respected businessman and admired sportsman. Funeral service at Sackville Road Methodist Church, Bexhill, on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at 10.15 a.m., followed by cremation at Eastbourne. Flowers, or donations to Cancer Research, c/o Mummery, F.D., 31, Devonshire Road, Bexhill-on-Sea.

LOWRY.—On Jan. 17, ALFRED NEWTON (Bert), died peacefully in hospital, aged 68. Will be much missed by his wife Greta. Cremation at Golders Green on Friday, Jan. 25, at 12.40 p.m. (Bedford Chapel). Flowers to Leverton & Sons, 624, Finchley Road, Golders Green, N.W.11, or donations to a charity.

LUCAS.—On Jan. 18, at Chilton Croft Nursing Home, Sudbury, Lt-Col ROBERT HUGH ARTHUR LUCAS, M.B.E., aged 56, of Church House, Wormingford, Colchester, Essex, formerly Royal Artillery, Royal Berkshire and Royal Warwickshire Regiments and later President of Essex Association of Parish Councils, dearly beloved husband and father. Funeral St Andrews Church, Wormingford, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 2.30 p.m. Flowers please to W. H. Shephard, 93-94, High Street, Colchester, tel. 0206 572303.

LUCKES.—On Jan. 19, 1985, passed suddenly away at Musgrove Park Hospital, ARTHUR JAMES, Uplands, Bishops Hull, Taunton, aged 73 years, dearest husband of Joan, loving and caring father and grandfather. The funeral service takes place at Bradford-on-Tone Church on Thursday, Jan. 24, at 1.15 p.m. Family flowers only, please. Donations if desired for St Margaret's Somerset Hospice may be sent to Messrs. E. White & Son Ltd, 138/139, East Reach, Taunton.

LYTTON.—On Jan. 18, suddenly, Lt-Col NOEL ANTHONY SCAWEN, Fourth EARL OF LYTTON, O.B.E. Funeral Mass at Crawley Friary, Friday, Jan. 25, at 12.15 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to "Life," c/o Mrs S. Sandy (Treasurer), 7, Gosden Close, Furnace Green, Crawley, W. Sussex.

MACAULAY.—On Jan. 19, 1985, peacefully at his home, HUGH MONTAGU CAMERON MACAULAY, C.B.E., M.D., M.R.C.P., D.P.H., aged 92 years, beloved husband of Margo and sadly missed by all his family. Funeral service will take place in Holy Trinity Church, Northwood, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 2.30 p.m., followed by private cremation. Family flowers only.

MACHIN.—On Jan. 19, 1985, peacefully at Barnet General Hospital, MARGARET EVELYN, of New Barnet, aged 90 years, widow of Frank and mother of Trevor. Cremation at New Southgate Crematorium at 9.15 a.m. on Friday, January 25. Inquiries to Blackwell Funeral Service, 30, High Street, Barnet. 4492065.

McFARLANE.—On Jan. 20, 1985, ALEC, aged 81 years, of Catcliffe near Sheffield, formerly of King's Keep, King's Road, Westcliff-on-Sea, Essex, much loved husband of Peggy and father of Pamela Dalziel. Funeral service at Hutcliffe Wood Crematorium, Sheffield, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 11 a.m. No flowers please, but donations to Alfred Groom, for Crowstone St George's United Reformed Church, King's Road, Westcliff-on-Sea, Essex.

McGILL.—On Jan. 20, after illness borne with great courage, PENELOPE FRANCES (Penny), adored mummy of Toby and Timmy, treasured daughter of Jack and Aida Castle and much loved sister of Jane and John. Cremation private. Please, no flowers, no letters.

MacGREGOR.—On Jan. 19, 1985, peacefully, in the Western General Hospital, Edinburgh, in her 77th year, ROSA FLORENCE, M.B., Ch.B., wife of the late Dr IAN R. K. MACGREGOR, beloved mother of Ronald and Gaida. Service in Warriston Crematorium Cloister Chapel on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 1.45 p.m. Family flowers only, please, but if desired donations to Age Concern Scotland, Castle Street, Edinburgh.

McINTOSH.—On Jan. 19, 1985, in an Exeter hospital, JOHN ANTHONY DONALD, aged 40, only son of JOHN M. and the late Mrs GRETA McINTOSH.

MACRAE.—On Jan. 19, peacefully at home in Ealing, the Rev. ERNEST HUGH MACRAE, aged 81, formerly of Antwerp and Edinburgh. No flowers by request. Cremation private. All inquiries to W. S. Bond Ltd, 59, Bond Street, Ealing, W.5, tel. 01-567 0422.

MALEY.—On Thursday, Jan. 10, 1985, at Nobles, Isle of Man Hospital, GEORGE HAROLD, of Doran, 35, Albany Road, Douglas, Isle of Man, dearly beloved husband of Vivian and dear father of Ewan, Peter and Colin. Cremation took place at Douglas, Isle of Man Crematorium, on Tuesday, Jan. 15, following service at All Saints Church. No letters, please. Donations if so desired may be made to The British Heart Foundation, c/o Mr Cromar, The Vane, Ballabeg, Arbory, Isle of Man.

MANDERS.—On Jan. 18, 1985, RICHARD HENRY DAVID MANDERS, O.B.E., aged 80 years, much loved husband, brother, father and grandfather, formerly of Ceylon and Falkland Islands. Funeral All Saints Church, Milford-on-Sea, Monday, Jan. 28, at 2 p.m. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to Cancer Research Campaign, c/o Diamond & Son, funeral directors, 9-11 Lower Buckland Road, Lymington, tel. 72060.

MARTIN.—On Jan. 19, 1985, peacefully after a long illness bravely borne, FRANCES EDNA, of 24, Cottington Court, Sidmouth, Devon, in her 81st year, dearly loved wife of Harold Victor. Funeral service at Sidmouth Parish Church, on Thursday, Jan. 24, at 2.15 p.m., followed by private cremation at Exeter. Family flowers only, no letters please. If desired, donations may be made to Cancer Research Campaign, National Westminster Bank, PLC, 52, High Street, Sidmouth.

MAUFE.—On Jan. 20, peacefully in hospital, LUCY, of Redwood Croft, [illegible] Drive, Ilkley, West Yorkshire LS29 9RA, dearly loved wife of Michael and mother of Penny and Antony. Following a private cremation a memorial service will be held at St John's Church, Ben Rhydding, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 2 p.m. No flowers please but donations if desired may be sent to the Treasurer, "The Friends of the Leukaemia Unit" (L.G.I.), 14, Willow Court, Pool-in-Wharfedale, Otley, Leeds LS21 1R[illegible].

MEAKIN.—On Jan. 20, peacefully in St Wilfrids Hospice, MARIAN LOUISE (Molly), aged 75, of 36, the Drive, Hailsham, beloved wife of Jim and mother of John and Richard. Service at Eastbourne Crematorium on Wednesday, Jan. 30, at 2.30 p.m. Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, to St Wilfrid's Hospice, Mill Gap Road, Eastbourne.

MEAKINGS.—On Jan. 21, peacefully, in faith, at Nettlebed Sue Ryder Home, DORIS, aged 81, beloved aunt of Alan Sanders. Private cremation service at Reading on Monday, Jan. 28. Donations, if desired, to Sue Ryder Homes.

MELVILLE.—On Sunday, Jan. 20, in hospital after a very short illness, LEONARD, aged 75 years, much loved husband of Dilys, father of Richard and Rosalind and treasured grandfather. The Lord has called a disciple.

MERCY.—On Jan. 20, in hospital, after a short illness, EDWARD ALFRED (Jack), aged 80 years, of Penn Street, near Amersham, dear husband of Esther and father of Bill, and Maisie. Funeral service 3 p.m., Friday, Jan. 25, at the Chilterns Crematorium, Amersham, Bucks.

MILDENHALL.—On Jan. 19, 1985, peacefully at home, SIDNEY JAMES MILDENHALL, of 137, George Borrow Road, Norwich. Funeral service at 2 p.m., Friday, Jan. 25, at St John the Baptist R.C. Cathedral, Norwich. Friends welcome at service. Private interment at Earlham Cemetery, Norwich. Flowers to Taylor, Funeral Services, 85, Unthank Road, Norwich, before 10.30 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 25.

MITCHELL.—On Jan. 18, 1985, suddenly at home, Farringdon, Hants, Lt Col FRANK MITCHELL, D.S.O., M.C., aged 75, loving husband of Vecta, father of Ralph and Mary. Funeral at St Lawrence Church, Alton, at 2 p.m., on Thursday, Jan. 24, followed by private interment. No flowers, but donations may be made to H.S.B.S. or Hartley Mauditt Church, c/o Kemp & Stevens, 95, High Street, Alton, Hants.

MOCATTA.—On Jan. 19, 1985, peacefully, in Hindhead Nursing Home, Wood Road, Hindhead, Surrey, JOAN WINNIFRED (nee Smith), aged 94, widow of Major W. E. MOCATTA, one-time of Glion, Switzerland, mother of Toby, and grandmother of David, Robert, and Charles.

MONRO.—On Jan. 17, 1985, at his home at Hemel Hempstead, GEOFFREY JAMES MONRO, Architect, son of the late C. E. Monro, of Bears Den. Service at West Herts Crematorium, Garston, 3 p.m., on Thursday, Jan. 24. No flowers, please. Donations if desired to the Save the Children Fund.

MORSON.—On Jan. 19, 1985, at Kingsley Home, Lewisham, formerly of Culverley Road, Catford, ELSIE MARGUERITE, aged 96. Cremation, family only. No flowers, please. Donations to British Heart Foundation.

MOSELEY.—On Friday, Jan. 18, peacefully, EDITH MARY (nee Ralph), of Castle Road, Crickhowell, Powys, formerly of Ryde, Isle of Wight. A dearly loved aunt. Funeral service Wednesday, Jan. 23, 11 a.m., at Dan-y-Castell Chapel, Crickhowell, followed by interment at Crickhowell Cemetery. Family flowers only. Donations, in lieu, if desired to Dan-y-Castell Chapel. Inquiries to R. G. Sharman, funeral director, tel. Crickhowell 810352.

MUNRO.—On Jan. 19, 1985, GERTRUDE, aged 94 years, of Lochside, Dunmuir Road, Castle Douglas, formerly of North Finchley, wife of the late DONALD ROSS MUNRO and dearly loved mother of Peggy and Jean.

MYERS.—On Jan. 18, 1985, suddenly, GEORGE ANTHONY, aged 55 years, a devoted and loving husband who will be sadly missed by his wife Iris and all his family and friends. Our fond memories of him will remain with us for ever. Funeral service will take place at Chalfont St Peter Parish Church on Friday, Jan. 25, at 3.15 p.m., followed by cremation. All inquiries to H. C. Grimstead Ltd, tel. Gerrards Cross 883644.

O'FLYNN.—On Jan. 19, Brig. DENNIS JOHN O'FLYNN, C.B.E., D.S.O., aged 77, of Camberley, Surrey, much beloved and devoted husband of Madge and brother of Terence and Eileen. Funeral service at The Park Crematorium, Guildford Road, Aldershot, 1.50 p.m., Friday, Jan. 25. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Army Benevolent Fund, 41, Queensgate, South Kensington, London, SW7 5HR.

PEARCE.—On Jan. 13, peacefully at Scole Lodge Nursing Home, Norfolk, CECIL ROLAND, aged 85, of Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex, beloved husband of the late Winifred May, dearly loved father and grandfather. Service and cremation Friday, Jan. 25, at 3 p.m. at the City Crematorium (Earlham). Family flowers only. Donations may be sent to Scole Lodge Nursing Home, c/o Rackhams Funeral Service, Stanley Road, Diss, Norfolk, tel. Diss (0379) 2321.

PETT.—On Jan. 18, peacefully at home, HENRY ERNEST, aged 96. Funeral, Friday, Jan. 25. Details from Chappell, Orpington 75236.

PETTICAN.—On Jan. 18, 1985, peacefully in Croydon General Hospital, ANDREW RESKA, aged 78 years, Fellow of The Huguenot Society, the beloved husband of Eileen Margaret. Funeral service at St Edmund's Church, Riddlesdown, on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at 2.30 p.m. Family flowers only, but donations may be sent to the Church of England Children's Society.

PINKERTON.—On Jan. 17, 1985, at Kirkcudbright Hospital, after a very short illness, DAVID DOUGLAS. Private cremation. Donations if desired to The Chest, Heart and Stroke Association, Tavistock House, London.

PRATT.—On Jan. 18, at Amersham Hospital, HERBERT EDWARD. Cremation to take place at the Chiltern's Crematorium, Amersham, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 1 p.m. No flowers by request. Donations to Penn Ward, Amersham Hospital.

PRITCHARD.—On Jan. 16, 1985, suddenly at home, GEOFFREY PRITCHARD, beloved husband of Aurea and father of David. Service at St Etheldreda's Church, Hatfield, on Thursday, Jan. 24, at 2.15 p.m., followed by private interment at St Luke's Cemetery. No flowers please, but donations if desired to the British Heart Foundation.

PROCTER.—On Jan. 18, in a nursing home at Harrogate, JAMES RONALD PROCTER, aged 75 years, of 85, Robin Lane, Bentham. Cremation at Lancaster and Morecambe Crematorium on Friday Jan. 25, at 2 p.m., leaving home 1.15 p.m. Friends please meet at the crematorium.

PYPER.—On Jan. 20, 1985, peacefully at his home after a long illness, WILLIAM PYPER of Meryl, Bradford-on-Tone, Taunton, aged 83 years, formerly of Aberdeen. Cremation at Taunton Deane, Friday, Jan. 25, 2.50 p.m. Family flowers only. Inquiries to Leonard E. Smith, funeral directors, of 1, Haydon Road, Taunton.

RANKINE.—On Jan. 20, 1985, peacefully in Reigate, ANNE ELIZABETH, beloved wife of the late ALEXANDER FINDLEY RANKINE and much loved aunt of Penny and Susan.

REED.—On Jan. 19, 1985, peacefully in hospital, MARGARET ELSIE, aged 89, of Hove and formerly of Blandford and Rotherham. Funeral service at the Downs Crematorium, Bear Road, Brighton, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 1 p.m. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to Dr Barnardo's, c/o Attree & Kent Ltd., Funeral Directors, 115, Church Street, Brighton.

REED.—On Jan. 20, at her daughter's home, 156, Main Road, Danbury, ROSE OLIVE, aged 97. Funeral service at St Joseph's Nursing Home Chapel, Danbury, on Thursday, Jan. 24, at 10 a.m., followed by cremation. Funeral arrangements by Bakers of Danbury.

REES.—On Jan. 12, at The Horton General Hospital, Banbury, MARJORIE (Midge) (nee Griffith), wife of the late D. M. Rees, C.B.E., J.P., M.F. and dearly beloved mother of Annabel and Michael, grandmother of Elizabeth, twin sister and sister-in-law of Jane and Jerram Widdowson. Funeral service at Cheltenham Crematorium on Friday, Jan. 25, at 10 a.m., to be followed by memorial service and burial of ashes at Abergorlech, Dyfed, at a date to be notified. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to the Friends of Banbury Hospitals, c/o J. & M. Humphris, Albert Street, Banbury.

RICHARDSON.—On Jan. 19, suddenly at 47, Kent Road, Harrogate and late of Leeds, JACK, aged 81 years, dearly beloved husband of Mame, loving daddy of [illegible], and very dear grandpa of Heath. Service and cremation at the Harrogate Crematorium on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 2 p.m. Family flowers only, please. Donations in lieu if desired to the British Heart Foundation, 95A Albion Street, Leeds.

RITCHIE.—On Jan. 17, peacefully in hospital, of Rosebank, [illegible], Brampton, Cumbria, DAVID, the dear husband of Joan. Funeral service and cremation at Carlisle Crematorium on Tuesday, Jan. 22, 10.30 a.m. No flowers by request. Donations in memoriam if desired, to League of Friends, Brampton Cottage Hospital, c/o of Mrs D. Rankin, 15, Irthing Walk, Brampton, Cumbria.

ROBERTS.—On Jan. 17, 1985, in Newtown, Powys, ENID PAYNE, beloved wife of the late Sqn. Ldr EDWARD ERNEST ROBERTS and much loved mother of Gwenda.

ROLLS.—On Jan. 20, peacefully in hospital, after a long illness, THOMAS BURNARD, dearly loved husband of June and father to Jonathan, Robert, Caroline and Charles. Funeral private. No flowers but if desired donations to Cancer Relief.

ROTHERY.—On Jan. 18, MARJORY DORIS, dear wife of JOHN ROTHERY, of North Gorley, Fordingbridge, loved mother of A[illegible], of Australia and Sue Edwards, of [illegible], West Midlands and a dear grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral service at St Mary's, Fordingbridge, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 11 a.m., followed by cremation. No flowers please, but donations to St Mary's Church Restoration Fund may be sent to John Shering, funeral director, Fordingbridge 52276.

HOYLE.—On Jan. 20, suddenly, NORAH FLORA (nee [illegible]), beloved wife of the Revd GEORGE H. W. HOYLE, sometime Rector of Pulborough, and dear mother of the Revd George Hoyle. Funeral service at Pulborough Parish Church on Friday, Jan. 25, at 2.30.

SALUSBURY-TRELAWNY.—On Jan. 19, 1985, at Loncroft Residential Home, Uplyme, Lyme Regis, LOUISA FREDERICA, in her 91st year, widow of Major JOHN MAITLAND SALUSBURY-TRELAWNY, M.C., mother of John, Philip and Lottie (MacWatters). Funeral service at Uplyme Parish Church at 12 noon, on Monday, Jan. 28. Family flowers or donations to Uplyme Parish Church, c/o W. G. Potter & Son, 1, West Street, Axminster, tel. 32063.

SAMUEL.—On Jan. 17, 1985, peacefully in hospital and of 71, Strines Road, Marple, OLIVE, aged 84 years, dearly loved wife of Alfred. Service and committal at Stockport Crematorium on Thursday, Jan. 24, at 11.30 a.m. Flowers and inquiries to Malcolm Shaw & Son, 3 Church Street, Marple, tel. 061 427 2276.

SHETERLINE.—On Sunday, Jan. 20, peacefully at St Margaret's, Epping, MAY, devoted and dearly beloved wife of Albert, loving mother of Brenda and mother-in-law of Ken and dear grandma of Helen and Roger. Her fortitude and unselfish patience was an inspiration to all who knew her. Service at St James Church, Ongar, Monday, Jan. 28, 2.15 p.m. Cremation private. Family flowers, please, but donations in lieu would be gratefully accepted by the Church of England Children's Society, c/o Midland Bank, Ongar.

SIMON.—On Jan. 19, 1985, peacefully in her sleep at home, MAY ROSE, aged 85 years, adored wife of Frank, beloved mother of Ann Abercromby and grandmother of Robin Ostrow and Michael McLaren and great-grandmother of Rupert, Arabella and Charlotte Onslow. All inquiries to J. H. Kenyon Ltd, Funeral Directors, at 49, Marloes Road, W.8, tel. 937 0757.

SKELTON.—On Jan. 15, 1985, FLORENCE MAY (nee Hoyles), loving wife of William, mother of Angela and David, of Sutton St James, Spalding. Service at Mintlyn Crematorium, King's Lynn, on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 11.30 a.m. Family flowers only. Donations if desired for Sutton St James Parish Church, c/o the Rev. Canon J. M. Woods.

SKINNER.—On Jan. 20, 1985, peacefully at Wanborough, Swindon, MAY MATILDA, dear mother of Barbara and John, grandmother of Jane, Andrew, Michael and Tim, great-granny of Femke and Steven. Funeral service at Wanborough Parish Church on Friday, Jan. 25, at 2.30 p.m. Inquiries Swindon 22797.

SMETHURST.—On Jan. 20, 1985, in hospital, and of Little Hill, Down Lane, Carisbrooke, I.o.W., DAVID HERBERT, aged 62 years, the dearly loved husband of Winifred, also a loving father and grandfather. Service in St Mary's Church, Carisbrooke, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 2.15 p.m., prior to committal at Isle of Wight Crematorium at 3 p.m. All inquiries to Hamilton & Marshall Funeral Service, tel. Newport 522[illegible].

SMITH.—On Jan. 21, 1985, peacefully at her home in Horsham, PANSY JANE (Pam), in her 85th year, dearly loved mother of Joan and Ro. Funeral at Holy Trinity Church, Horsham, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 1 p.m., followed by cremation. Sprays only please or donations, if desired, to Dr Topham's Fund, St Luke's Hospital, Guildford.

SMITH.—On Jan. 19, 1985, at home, Crossmead, [illegible] Road, Exmouth, Devon, GEORGINA DYOTT, aged 90, widow of EVELYN F. SMITH, [illegible], Ceylon, dearest mother of Desmond, Christopher and their wives, dearly loved grandmother of Andrew, Stephen, Rosemary and Robert. All inquiries to John W. Palmer (F/D), 38, Rolle Street, Exmouth, tel. (0395) 266010.

SMITH.—On Jan. 19, 1985, peacefully at his home, Enamore, Kippford by Dalbeattie, Kirkcudbrightshire, JOHN McLENNAN SMITH, beloved husband of Beatrice Margaret (Peggy), dear father of Gordon, Harry, Barbara and Ian. Funeral service in Christ Church, Dalbeattie, on Thursday, Jan. 24, at 10.30 a.m. and thereafter to Masonhill Crematorium, Ayr, for 1 p.m. Family flowers only, please.

SMITH.—On Jan. 15, THOMAS HARMAN, aged 70 years and on Jan. 18, his mother, ADA EMILY, aged 95 years, both of [illegible], Bewdley. Funeral, 12 noon, Friday, Jan. 25, All Saints' Church, [illegible]. No flowers. Donations to Cancer Research Campaign, c/o 25, Broom Avenue, Solihull.

SPENCER.—On Jan. 19, 1985, in hospital in Devon, JOSEPH WILLIAM, aged 76, of 59, Leopold Road, Felixstowe. Funeral service at Walton Parish Church on Monday, Jan. 28, at 2.15 p.m. Family flowers only, but if desired donations for John Grooms Association for the Disabled may be sent to Farthing Funeral Service, 126, High Road West, Felixstowe.

STANTON.—On Jan. 20, at his Sunderland home, VICTOR WILLIAM STANTON, aged 77, retired Commercial Manager of [illegible]. Service at Croydon Crematorium on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 3.45 p.m. No flowers please, but donations to St Joseph's Hospice, East London.

STEVENS.—On Jan. 20, 1985, peacefully in hospital, MAURA EMILY, beloved mother of Robert, Sally, Emma and Mary Anne. Funeral service at Heathfield Parish Church, Jan. 24 at 12.45pm.

SUTHERLAND.—On Jan. 18, peacefully at home, Chestnut Views, Feniton, near Honiton, Devon, FRANCIS ARTHUR SHEPPARD, aged 94 years, beloved husband of Elsie. Funeral service at The Exeter & Devon Crematorium on Thursday, Jan. 24, at 11.30 a.m. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to any charity.

SWIFT.—On Jan. 19, 1985, peacefully, CHRISTINE, 7, Manor Close, Oadby, Leicestershire, beloved, respected, revered and irreplaceable wife of Peter, mother of [illegible] and Andrew, granny of Victoria and Stephen. She enhanced the quality of life, her sincerity and character were absolute, and her spirit will continue to comfort, support, guide and inspire us while we live. Funeral service at Northampton Crematorium, Towcester Road, Milton, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 3 p.m. A memorial service will be arranged at St Peter's Church, Oadby, at a later date. Further inquiries to A. J. Atkinson & Son, F/D, tel. Leicester 713540.

TAPSELL.—On Jan. 18, 1985, [illegible] Hall, [illegible], JAMES [illegible], beloved son of [illegible] TAPSELL, M.P. and [illegible]. Funeral private, no flowers or letters by request, but donations may be sent to Save the Children Education Fund, c/o [illegible], Lincoln.

TAYLOR.—On Jan. [illegible], suddenly, Sir ROBERT [illegible], beloved husband of [illegible] Valerie [illegible]. Funeral arrangements to be announced later.

THOMSON.—On Friday, Jan. 18, 1985, in hospital, ARTHUR [illegible] THOMSON, aged 80 years, of [illegible] Road, Glossop, Derbyshire, beloved husband of the late [illegible], loved father of Marion, [illegible]. Service at Holy Trinity Church, [illegible], Glossop, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 11.10, followed by committal at Dukinfield Crematorium. Inquiries to [illegible] Shaw, Glossop Carriage Co., Glossop 3059.

TODDY.—On Jan. 16, 1985, peacefully in hospital, WILLIAM RONALD, aged 73 years, of 6, Claremont Road, Bridport, Dorset, late of Reigate, and [illegible], dear husband of Connie and father of John and Elizabeth. Funeral service at Yeovil Crematorium on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 1.50 p.m. Family flowers only, please. Donations if desired for R.N.L.I., c/o A. J. Wakely & Sons, 91, East Street, Bridport, Dorset.

TROSSER.—On Jan. 19, 1985, suddenly, MICHAEL TROSSER, aged 54, of Stevenage, Herts, beloved husband of Jean and dearly loved father of Sally and Simon. Private family funeral.

TURNER.—On Jan. 18, 1985, at Budleigh Salterton Hospital, PHYLLIS JOYCE, aged 80 years, wife of the late GUY ELLIOTT TURNER, devoted mother of Jeremy and Jane and loving grandmother of Helen. Funeral service East Budleigh Church, Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 2.30 p.m., followed by cremation in Exeter. Flowers, or, if preferred, donations to Church of England Children's Society.

TWIGG.—On Jan. 19, 1985, suddenly at Green Hayes, [illegible], Heathfield, Somerset, MARION [illegible] CAROLINE, for many years Bursar of [illegible] School, Coventry. Family flowers only. Donations in lieu if desired to Marie Curie Foundation and all inquiries to F. H. Willicombe & Son, funeral directors, tel. Williton 32420.

UNDERWOOD.—On Jan. 20, 1985, peacefully, MARY WINIFRED, aged 76 years, of Earlswood, Harmer Hill, Shrewsbury, dearly loved wife of the late Geoffrey (Kenya). Funeral at Shrewsbury Crematorium on Monday, Jan. 28, at 11.20 a.m. Donations if wished to the Ethiopia Appeal.

UNSWORTH.—On Jan. 18, in hospital, ETHEL, in her 89th year, formerly of Bolton, Guildford and Reigate. Funeral Reigate Park Church at 3 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 24. Family flowers only to Stoneman, funeral directors, Redhill, or donations to Foxhill Home for Retired Nurses, Reigate.

UPTON.—On Jan. 13, peacefully in hospital, EDWARD HOPE, beloved husband of the late Frances Alys and dearly loved father of Annabella Jane and Henry Edward Fowler. Funeral on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at St Keverne Parish Church. Funeral director Mr Howard Bray, 2, Glen View, Tregonning Park, St Keverne, Helston, Cornwall.

WAKELEY.—On Jan. 18, 1985, at Canterbury, ELIZABETH MURIEL, aged 87. Funeral private. No flowers. Donations to R.C.S. of England.

WALLIS.—On Jan. 18, peacefully in hospital, ALBERT WIMBLE, in his 100th year, dear father of Edith. Funeral service at St Dunstan's Church, Cheam, on Jan. 26, at 12 noon, followed by interment at Sutton Cemetery. Family flowers only, please, but donations if desired to a favourite charity.

WARD-HARRISON.—On Jan. 20, peacefully at Blair Atholl Nursing Home, [illegible], York, MARGARET, aged 95, widow of Commander S. J. WARD-HARRISON, formerly of Haughley House, Suffolk, dearly loved mother of John and Susanna. Funeral Holy Trinity Church, Stockton-on-the-Forest, 11 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 24.

WARE.—On Jan. 17, peacefully at Westcliff Hospital, ANNIE, aged 93 years, much loved Mum of Jean, Valerie and Colin and Nana to her nine grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Funeral service at Corbet's Tey Cemetery, Upminster, at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 23.

WEST.—On Jan. 21, peacefully at her home, WINIFRED ANNIE, devoted mother of Shirley and Greta. Service at Worthing Crematorium, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 12 noon. Flowers and inquiries to [illegible] Funeral Service, Worthing 200855.

WESTBURY.—On Jan. 19, peacefully, in loving care of St Thomas' Hospital, RACHEL, Mayoress of Lambeth, 1970/71, adored wife of Jack, beloved mother of Frances and Judith, mother-in-law of Peter and Eddy, grandmother of Nicholas, Peter, Emma, Richard and Benjamin and her sisters Florrie, Janet, Lily, Rose and Sophie. No flowers, but if desired donations to Friends of St Thomas' Hospital.

WHEELER.—On Jan. 21, 1985, peacefully at Frogwell Hospital, Chippenham, Wilts, Doctor ARTHUR REID WHEELER of the Old Rectory, Biddestone, in his 90th year, husband of the late Madge, father of Patricia, Barry and Richard. Funeral service 11 a.m., Friday, Jan. 25, at [illegible] Crematorium, Bath. Family flowers only. Donations if desired may be sent to Frogwell Hospital, Chippenham.

WILLIAMS.—On Jan. 18, suddenly at his home, 77, Nut Bush Lane, Torquay, MAURICE, formerly of Uxbridge, beloved husband of Vi. Funeral service at St Matthew's Church, Torquay, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 10.30 a.m. Inquiries (0803) 32447.

WILSON.—On Jan. 16, 1985, peacefully in Sevenoaks, in her 88th year, FLORENCE (Peggy) (nee Lane), formerly of Nova Scotia, widow of DONALD G. WILSON. Survived by sister Rose (Boston, U.S.A.), son George (Canada), grandchildren Michael (Germany) and Mary (U.S.A.). Inquiries to W. Hodges & Co F/D's, 37, Quakers Hall Lane, Sevenoaks, Kent, tel. 454457.

WOOLF.—On Saturday, Jan. 19, 1985, peacefully at his home, 21, Elizabeth Avenue, Jersey, SOLOMON BENJAMIN WOOLF, aged 79 years, beloved husband of Muriel and loving father of Rafe, Emma and Comfort. No letters or telephone calls, please. Funeral private. All inquiries, please, to G. E. Croad Ltd., funeral directors, Jersey, tel. 0534 35330.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

SAUNDERS.—The Family of the late Mrs EVELYN SAUNDERS wish to thank all relations and friends for all their kindness shown and for the beautiful flowers in their recent bereavement.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

SEDORSKI, BARBARA DUNCAN.—The burial on Thursday, Jan. 24, at St Pancras Cemetery, Finchley, announced for 12.30 p.m. will now take place at 2 p.m.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

BIGLAND.—A Memorial Service for ERNEST FRANK BIGLAND will be at St Michael's, Cornhill, on Tuesday, Feb. 5, at 12 noon. Family and friends are invited to the Royal Exchange following the service.

SHUTTLEWORTH.—A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of JOHN SHUTTLEWORTH will be held at the Church of St Bartholomew-the-Less, Smithfield, London E.C.1, at 6.45 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 7, 1985.

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MUSIC / Tippett celebration

A timeless vision

"THE quality of the performance tonight did honour to the great traditions of performance and it did a singular honour to an 80-year-old composer." Thus Sir Michael Tippett, replying to the standing ovation at a crowded Festival Hall after the London Sinfonietta under David Atherton had played the Triple Concerto on the first night of the Tippett birthday celebration week at the South Bank.

Who would dare to disagree with the ultimate authority—nor do I at all feel so inclined after a virtuosi *tour de force* where high praise is due also to the soloists Ernst Kovacic, violin, particularly for his duet with the alto flute, as well as to Rivka Golani, viola and Karine Georgian, cello.

Both brass and strings excelled in the airy brilliance of the outer movements, separated by two Interludes from the raptly lyrical nocturnal centre. Its lovely F major melody once again tricked me into wondering what it reminded me of until I realised that it reminds one of itself.

Tippett's flair for confronting us with an unexpected end in the concerto acquires a spiritual dimension in the oratorio "The Vision of St Augustine." Having entrusted to the power of his music the task of expressing the transcendent vision of timelessness — where past, present and future are one — the agnostic Tippett adds with characteristic irony a line the Saint himself has omitted in his text. After presenting its text in Latin throughout, the chorals conclude with the words sung unaccompanied in Greek and repeated in a whispered English: "I count not myself to have apprehended." Such ambiguity of affirmation corresponded to Tippett's remark during a filmed interview shown in the afternoon at the Queen Elizabeth Hall and to be presented on ITV in the spring.

Given what he has witnessed happening in the world during his lifetime he could not maintain, he said, either a belief in God or in a Utopian brotherhood of man. Yet he was driven to continue with the life-enhancing dream through his music. The demanding score showed the London Sinfonietta Chorus in splendid form while John Shirley-Quirk's noble account, familiar from the RCA recording, will no doubt be more uniformly audible during tonight's broadcast on Radio 3.

In the afternoon, again at the Queen Elizabeth Hall, the Sinfonietta's "From 1955 Onwards" series of concerts started with Paul Crossley playing all Tippett's piano sonatas, including the Fourth which he had premiered in Los Angeles a few weeks ago. The original plan of five *bagatelles growing* into a fully-fledged sonata, centring moreover on a formidable sonata movement, confirms that after the monumental "Mask of Time" Tippett continues not to sound his age.

Peter Stadlen

Beaux Arts Trio

IN years to come, young musicians of today may look back with nostalgia to record a golden age in at least one respect, and that is in the playing of piano trios by the Beaux Arts. Once again on Sunday night—this time at the Wigmore Hall (an ideally intimate venue for the group)—the three proved their supremacy in their chosen field through their instinctive musicianship and perfect rapport.

If they reached their most vital form in Schubert's great B flat work, that was only right and proper because it inevitably towered above the other two pieces in the programme. Here it was that the meeting of the three like minds seemed to achieve its most valuable rewards. Only artists as familiar with each other's style and thinking could have permitted themselves so many small subtitles of phrasing and rubato without seeming mannered.

In other contexts, the freedoms dared in the slow movement would have seemed unwarranted. Here, they — and the emphasis given the dancing figures of the Scherzo—were part of a complete concept that includes moments of agreed waywardness in its make up. Similarly, not an inspiration in the finale was left unexplored as the players connived with Schubert to suggest wholehearted spontaeity with the music, suggesting even more ingenuities.

Smetana's G minor Trio had a rare outing in the first half, it is an elusive, not wholly convincing work, the composer seeming a trifle hidebound in comparison with his later efforts. But the Beaux Arts did their best to capture its improvisatory, rhapsodic nature and to weld the disparate pieces into a satisfying entity.

At the start, a Haydn Trio in A already found Menahem Pressler's piano at its wittiest, Isadore Cohen's violin at its most refined and Barnard Greenhouse's cello in loyal support (later in the evening Mr Greenhouse had his many opportunities to show the warmth and purity of his line, not least in the Smetana finale and the opening movement of the Schubert).

Alan Blyth

Macnaghten concerts

WHETHER intentionally or no, the New Macnaghten Concerts provided an appendix to the recent B B C Stockhausen series by including two of his works in a St John's, Smith Square recital on Sunday night.

On the face of it, this seemed a happy opportunity to catch two pieces which had not found their way into that instructive retrospective survey which the Barbican and Radio 3 have been featuring over the past fortnight or so. Moreover, the composer's trumpeter son, Markus, was there to play them.

But if you regard an appendix as something inessential, something that can readily be dispensed with, your view would have been reinforced by this concert. The two works were "Tierkreis" (written for musical boxes in 1974 but here rearranged for trumpet and percussion) and "Oberlippentanz," originally entitled "Protest" and extracted from Stockhausen's "Samstag," part of his operatic cycle "Licht."

It may well be that one needs to know that the "Oberlippentanz" should be played, in its operatic context, from the upper lip of the huge face which forms the set of "Samstag"; but as a concert item, even Stockhausen *fils* could not invest it with much theatrical vigour. "Tierkreis" offered more in the way of potentially fruitful counterpoint between trumpet and Robyn Schulkowsky's percussion, but even so the music seemed tired and arid.

Walter Zimmermann's "Glockenspiel" with (on this occasion) inaudible words was an inoffensive but barely interesting study in percussion sonorities, and, although William Kraft's "Encounters III" began to promise something of consequence in its confrontations between percussion and trumpet, they amounted to little more than an anaesthetising bluntness of effect.

Geoffrey Norris

Some notices appeared in yesterday's later editions.

Simon Dormandy and Andrew Collins in Racine's "Andromache" at the Donmar Warehouse.

ART / RADIO / Toasting timed to a turn

Odd world of David Evans

DAVID EVANS is one of the most original watercolourists at work in England. In his one-man show continuing at the Redfern Gallery, Cork Street, Mayfair, until Feb. 7, he creates a world of his own.

It is difficult to know which is the more remarkable, this world of the imagination or the technical methods he uses. Both are highly original.

Even if one does not respond to his strange fantasies, and one surely must for they have a compulsive quality, one cannot help admiring his technical achievements. Not far away, in Old Bond Street, Agnew's have their annual exhibition of Early English Watercolours. There, examples can be seen of many of the most celebrated of English watercolourists and a comparison with the exhibition at the Redfern Gallery is instructive.

The watercolours by Evans are unusually large for works using this medium. He makes use both of broad washes of colour and of various ingenious devices. Particularly effective is his use of the white paper: but in a watercolour entitled "Kites," the kites are indicated by blank areas of the paper.

These skills are used to conjure up an odd world in this, his third one-man show at the Redfern.

Even when he is painting ordinary scenes he arrests and holds our attention. A landscape takes on fantastic patterns, electricity pylons become sinister, while both inanimate objects and a steeplechase are made exciting. Nothing is quite as it appears in the ordinary world.

One of the most telling examples of this is the watercolour entitled "Field of Cloth of Tin," and here the title itself suggests the qualities of the artist's imagination. A wrecked car dump in the countryside is turned into a complex pattern.

Even stranger are his "City Windows" and his "Natural History Museum." The former suggests the sense of bewilderment the countryman feels when he comes into the City, while in Evans's "Natural History Museum" the skeletons of prehistoric creatures take on a life of their own.

Terence Mullaly

THE President of the United States gave the Vice-President some timely financial advice on Radio 5 last Sunday night. "You only make a speech," he said, "when you want the stock market to go down." The Vice-President then asked what do you do when you want the stock market to go up and received the reply, of characteristic frankness which won John P. Wintergreen a place in his nation's heart: "Oh boy, wouldn't I like to know that."

This was happening in **Of Thee I Sing**, that peerless political parody from the combined pens of George and Ira Gershwin, George S. Kaufman and Morrie Ryskind in which the American presidential election system gets a delicious toasting. John P. Wintergreen runs for office on a new party ticket, love. There's a beauty contest to find him a wife and promote the campaign. But meanwhile he finds true love with Mary, baker of wonderful corn muffins. Will the winner of the beauty contest succeed in having him impeached? Of course not. The Senate and the people cannot resist the arrival of twin babies in the White House and, in being around to marry the beauty queen, the Vice-President finally defines his role.

It was an inspired piece of programming to put on this National Radio Theatre of Chicago production the night before the real Presidential inauguration. Besides giving us some lovely songs ("Love is sweeping the country," "Who cares?"), at least one truly memorable performance (from Edgar Meyer as the lugubrious Vice-President) and lots of excellent one-liners delivered at near perfect pace, the whole thing was a salutary reminder that not all Americans remain straight-faced before their national tendency to excess.

The **P M** programme on Radio 4 on Friday gave us a short preview of this year's real inaugural celebrations and a commercial from President Reagan testifying to the strengths of his wife which, while crying out for a bit of a debunk, rather defy parody. But perhaps the kind of sentimentality "Of Thee I Sing" satirised so well ought not to be regarded as belonging to America alone.

In Wednesday's **Woman's Hour** our own Prime Minister, in a longer than usual interview as guest of the week, seemed to enjoy her burst of domestic confidences rather more than the weightier matters over which she breathed so heavily earlier in the conversation. Her voice is starting to have the same effect on me as taped music in planes, the more soothing it gets the more alarmed I become.

Gillian Reynolds

Maazel returns

By Our Arts Staff

Lorin Maazel will make his first concert appearance in London for four years when he conducts the B B C Symphony Orchestra in Mahler's seventh symphony, during a live broadcast for Radio 3 from the Royal Festival Hall on Feb. 22.

Witches' cauldron brought to bubble

ROY KERRIDGE was asked to look into British folk customs

NOT LONG AGO, an enterprising publisher asked me to write a book about British folk customs. Always ready to oblige, I flitted here and there on my quest, notebook in hand, until I had enough material to cobble together a decent-sized volume.

To my surprise, many of the country people I met told me of remedies against witchcraft. Becoming a witch is a modern townswoman's occupation, whether in Brighton or Chelsea, and seems linked in some occult manner with nudism, vegetarianism, gullibility and art colleges. Fear of witches seems to have been prevalent until fairly recently in the countryside and has been deeply felt for thousands of years.

"Our boiler refused to work," a friend wrote to me from her Sussex village, "and our daily help said she would have to 'cut the old witch's finger.' So saying, she made some magic cuts in the air above the boiler with a breadknife and all at once it was mended."

"The Yorkshire witches used to bake biscuits and write their enemies' name on them," another correspondent informed me. "When they broke and ate the biscuit, the bewitched person would die."

Everywhere I found the single magpie to be a harbinger of bad luck, but the means of averting misfortune varied. Some said that the bird should be addressed "Good morning, my lord," three times, though what one should do if it were afternoon was never explained. Others insisted that the magpie would switch off its evil influence if you politely told it where you were going. Both these remedies come from the south of England.

At one time it was customary throughout the country for countrymen to raise their hats to the elder tree. One old man in North Wales still does so, but claims that his respect for the tree stems from gratitude, as a tincture of elder bark cured his wife of a chest complaint.

Nearly everyone I spoke to agreed that good fortune could be acquired by saying "White rabbits!" on the first day of the month. Dissidents claimed that "Pink rabbits!" should be said instead.

White cows vary in significance from village to village all over the country. In some places they bring good luck, in others, bad. These "Fairy cattle" or "Druid cattle" were sacred in pagan times among the Celts.

Here superstition can teach us something of the character of early Christian missionaries. Where the once-holy white cow or bull is now reviled, the first Christians must have been stern and uncompromising, holding that all the ancient ways had been those of Satan, to the extent of turning the old beliefs inside out.

More tolerant saints, monks and missionaries would let well alone, allowing the old certitudes to dwindle into mild folk beliefs, pagan holiness becoming mere luck. Myths about rabbits have probably been transferred from hares, animals which were sacred to the pagan Saxons and Celts. There were no rabbits in Britain until the Normans introduced them from Spain, but long before then, sermons against hare-worship may have thundered from many an early pulpit.

If I had been allowed to include the beliefs of some West Africans living in England, my work would never have been finished, for in Ghana, Nigeria and Sierra Leone, witchcraft is very much alive and kicking. Innocent young girls and old ladies are occasionally accused of witchcraft and brought to trial. Some protest their innocence, others boast of their powers, hoping to frighten off their persecutors.

"Yes, I can turn into a vulture at will!" a woman in Ghana boasted proudly. "First of all, every witch in the audience must take her clothes off before my magic powers can operate."

No one was willing to cast off the first garment and the case was dismissed. Beside such strong meat as this, English tales of incontinence caused by picking dandelions pale into insignificance. Our golden age of witchcraft is over.

"Bizarre Britain" will be published by Blackwell's in August.

TV / Feeding mouths, killing cultures

HOW should the West respond to the enduring agony of underfed Africa? If you'd followed Philip Tibenham's well meant but ultimately confusing reports in **Panorama** (B B C 1) last night, you could come to only one conclusion—whatever we do is almost certain to be wrong.

A comfortably pink-faced Oxfam man told us that all long-term food aid was "an evil." Supplies should be rushed in (presumably after a sufficient number of people had perished) only in response to an emergency, he said. Someone else worried about the effects of Western aid on the nomadic way of life, implying that the world's primitive wanderers would be better dead than fed.

In prosperous, well run Kenya, now suffering its worst drought of the century, various liberal whites, including Tibenham, worried about the country's alleged dependence on American patronage. Kenya received massive aid because it pursued American-approved policies; across the border, Marxist Ethiopia starved because it didn't.

Like all sweeping analysis of complex problems, this one clearly contained a germ of truth, but it blandly ignored other truths. Like the incompetence and corruption of post-feudal Ethiopia and the sophistication of neighbouring Kenya. If the Kenyans were uneasy about their special relationship, none came forward to say so. They seemed like a people fairly well able to handle their own affairs.

To Western idealists, especially those wielding TV cameras, nomadism may seem a romantic way of life, but evolution decrees otherwise. We were all nomads, once. I preferred the dignified Kenyan priest who made his view quietly clear: given the choice between saving lives and preserving a culture, life had to come first.

"What Africa needs" said a European woman "is aid that serves desperate needs, not the politics of the donors." Amen to the second part of that: unfortunately no one still knows how best to implement the first.

Even back in the Iron Age, it seems probable that our ancestors were constantly grappling with the inexorable march of evolution. In Hampshire the large hill fort of Danebury, thriving centre of a tribal culture for 500 years, suddenly became redundant when Roman Capitalists established new trading centres further south. You could almost imagine the headlines, had the Daneburians been possessed of literacy: "Local Way of Life Threatened by Mediterranean Supermarket Invaders."

Intimate details of this now remote culture were the subject of **Horizon** (B B C 2) venturing into what would once have been "Chronicle" territory, if the march of B B C progress hadn't wiped out that particular outpost. Poring with seemingly inexhaustible patience over minute scraps, bone, seeds and other rubbish, modern archaeologists have now built a more complete picture of Danebury's inhabitants, probably, than we have of some contemporary cultures. The massive Danebury dig, which has been going on for 16 years, has uncovered 5,000 storage pits, 18,000 post holes, and 150,000 bones, and can even tell us where the settlement's milestones came from.

Is all this effort, involving computers and advanced micro techniques, a bit out of proportion to the significance of the results? On the basis that all knowledge has value, I would hope not. But I can't help wishing that "Horizon" would resist the temptation to stun us with quite so much technical means in its understandable enthusiasm for fascinating ends.

Richard Last

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COURT AND SOCIAL

Court Circular

KENSINGTON PALACE, Jan. 21

The Duke of Gloucester, as Colonel-in-Chief, this afternoon received Major General John Waters on assuming the appointment of Colonel of The Gloucestershire Regiment.

The Queen will visit Derbyshire on March 15.

The Duke of Edinburgh will attend the Greenlands Association national dinner at Grosvenor House on Feb. 20.

The Prince of Wales will visit operational areas of the British Steel Corporation (Industry) in South West Scotland and North West England on Feb. 18 and 19.

The Princess of Wales will visit Sir Michael Sobell House, Churchill Hospital, Headington, Oxford, on Feb. 15.

Air Marshal Sir David Atkinson is to be Director General of the Chest, Heart and Stroke Association from Feb. 1, in succession to Sir Ernest Sidey.

A memorial service for Mr Edward Crankshaw will be held at St Bride's, Fleet Street, today at 11 a.m.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

The Dowager Viscountess Colville of Culross is 80 today; Air Chief Marshal Sir Wallace Kyle is 75; Lord Hughes 74; Sir Hilary Talbot 75; Miss Mary Hayley Bell 71; Sir Alfred Ramsey 65; Lord Wardington 61; Baroness Lockwood 61; Sir Graham Wilkins 61; and Adml Sir Lindsay Bryson 60.

Today is the anniversary of the death of Queen Victoria in 1901 and of the birth of Francis Bacon, statesman and writer, in 1561. It is also the anniversary of the first Labour Government in Britain in 1924.

Forthcoming Marriages

Mr I. C. H. McWhirter and Miss C. L. H. Gadsden

The engagement is announced between Iain, elder son of the late A. Ross McWhirter and of Mrs Rosemary McWhirter, of Village Road, Enfield, Middlesex, and Clare, daughter of Sir Peter and Lady Gadsden, of Gilbert House, Barbican, City of London.

Capt. G. J. Alderman and Miss J. J. Skingsley

The engagement is announced between James, son of Colonel and Mrs W. G. Alderman, of Washford, Somerset, and Jennifer, daughter of Air Vice-Marshal and Mrs A. G. Skingsley, of Wrotham Heath, Kent.

The Rev. J. C. K. Freeborn and Miss D. Majdalany

The engagement is announced between Jack Freeborn and Diana Majdalany, both of Halifax.

Dr J. V. S. Pether and Mrs S. J. Hedworth-Whitty

The engagement is announced between John, son of the late Dr G. C. Pether and Mrs M. J. Wyburn-Mason, of Richmond, Surrey, and Sonia, only daughter of Mr and Mrs B. R. David, of Porthcawl, Mid Glamorgan.

Mr R. I. Stott and Miss S. M. Tomlinson

The engagement is announced between Robert Ian, elder son of Mr I. H. Stott, of Wilmslow, Cheshire, and Mrs G. M. Stott, of Trearddur Bay, Anglesey, and Sarah Montgomery, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs G. M. Tomlinson, of Parkgate, Wirral, Cheshire.

Mr C. H. Jaques and Miss K. W. Henley

The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mr and Mrs P. H. Jaques, of Ottery St Mary, Devon, and Karen, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. R. Henley, of Bleadon, Avon, formerly of Nairobi, Kenya.

Mr W. T. B. Curtis and Miss T. A. Hewitt

The engagement is announced between Thomas, eldest son of Mr and Mrs I. R. H. Curtis, of Wareham, Dorset, and Teresa, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs D. A. Hewitt, of Witham, Essex.

Mr I. J. Tysoe and Miss J. L. Wilkinson

The engagement is announced between Ian, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. S. Tysoe, of Marlow, Bucks, and Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs C. J. Wilkinson, of Farnham, Surrey.

WEDDING

Mr R. R. Abel Smith and Mrs R. A. Agar

The marriage took place on Jan. 16 at Cirencester, Gloucestershire, between Mr Robert Ralph Abel Smith, son of Mr and Mrs W. L. Abel Smith, of 14, Onslow Square, S.W.7, and Mrs Rosemary Anne Agar, daughter of Major P. H. Marnham and the late Mrs Marnham, of Garden Cottage, Encombe, Dorset.

CHRISTENING

The infant daughter of Mr Edward and Lady Henrietta St George was christened Katherine Helen Cecilia by the Rev. E. G. H. Saunders, assisted by the Ven. Peter Eliot, at St Michael's, Chester Square, yesterday. The godparents are Mrs Richard Bonsor, the Hon. Mrs Colin Chisholm, Lady Rose FitzRoy, Lady Pindling, the Earl of Halifax, Mr Frederick Stockdale and Mr Adrian Ward-Jackson.

RECEPTIONS

The Speaker

The Speaker and Mrs Weatherill were hosts at a reception held in Speaker's House yesterday in honour of Mr Javier Perez de Cuellar, Secretary-General of the United Nations, and Mrs Perez de Cuellar to mark the 40th anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Charter. Members of both Houses of Parliament were present.

Her Majesty's Government

The Hon. George Younger, M.P., Secretary of State for Scotland, was host at a reception held last night by Her Majesty's Government at Dover House, Whitehall, for Parliamentary Lobby and Gallery correspondents.

Durbar Club

The Durbar Club held a reception yesterday evening at Drapers' Hall in honour of its Patron, the Prime Minister, who was accompanied by Mr Denis Thatcher. They were received by the Chairman and Mrs Narindar Saroop. Among those present were:

The Ambassador of Pakistan and Mrs Arshad, the Ambassador of Nepal and Mrs Pandey, Lord and Lady Harris of High Cross, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Q.C., M.P., and Lady Howe, Mr Nicholas Edwards, M.P., and Mrs Edwards, Mr Patrick Jenkin, M.P., Mr John Biffen, M.P., Mr Peter Rees, Q.C., M.P., Mr John Selwyn Gummer, M.P., and Mrs Gummer, Mr David Waddington, Q.C., M.P., and Mrs Waddington, Dr Rhodes Boyson, M.P., and Mrs Boyson, the Hon. Alan Clark, M.P., Mr Michael Spicer, M.P., and Mrs Spicer, Sir Peter Lane, Count Sir Eboo Pirbhai and Lady Eboo Pirbhai, Mr Tim Rathbone, M.P., and Mrs Rathbone, Mr Hal Miller, M.P.

Mr K. Parasuram, Attorney General for India, Mr and Mrs A. Adamjee, Mr and Mrs R. Ahmad, Mr and Mrs R. D. Ahmed, Mr M. Ashraf, Mr and Mrs N. Craig-Cooper, Mrs P. A. Cronopulo, Miss K. P. Cronopulo, Mr and Mrs U. Goleeha, Mr and Mrs N. Beral, Mr and Mrs M. J. Khan, Mr and Mrs S. Malik-Noor, Mr and Mrs P. S. Mehta, Mr and Mrs A. Moura, Mr and Mrs N. Nagji, Mr and Mrs J. C. Patel, Mr and Mrs P. R. Patel, Mr and Mrs M. Perachi, Mr and Mrs G. S. Rula, Mr and Mrs I. Sethia, Mr and Mrs P. M. Shah, Mr and Mrs R. Sharma, Mr and Mrs K. Shoaib, Dr and Mrs M. Sogal and Mr and Mrs S. Zaiwalla.

DINNERS

Reform Club

The Economics Group of the Reform Club held a dinner last night at the Club. Lord Bauer, Professor of Economics at the London School of Economics, was the speaker and Mr Douglas Llambias was in the chair.

National Sporting Club

The National Sporting Club held a boxing dinner evening at Grosvenor House last night. Mr Jarvis Astaire was in the chair and the other speakers were Mr Geoff Morrow, Dr Ray Powles and Mr Kenneth Wolstenholme, Secretary of the Club.

MONKTON HOUSE, CARDIFF GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Spring Term at Monkton House, Cardiff Grammar School, began on Monday, Jan. 7. B. J. Sadka is the Head Boy and I. Beavon the Captain of Rugby. The annual Eisteddfod will be held on Friday, March 1. Entrance and Scholarship Examinations are to be taken on Saturday, March 9. The Old Monktonians Association annual dinner, at which the guest of honour will be Capt. N. Lloyd Edwards, R.N.R., will be held on Friday, March 22.

MEETING

Royal Over-Seas League

Mr D. B. Money-Coutts was guest speaker at a meeting of the Discussion Circle of the Royal Over-Seas League held last evening at Over-Seas House, St James's. His subject was "Personal Banking." Mrs Elizabeth Cresswell presided.

Latest Wills

BAIN, Mrs Amy P., Dinton, Nr Wilts £267,303
BENN, A. C., Ashtead, Surrey 198,518
BRENAN, Mrs Mabel R. C., Rowhook, West Sussex ... 370,859
FIGGIS, Mrs Dorothy E., Nether Compton, Dorset 154,250
HAES, E. F., Kensington 823,661
HELLYER, Mrs Francis M., Combe Florey, Somerset 217,187
HYDLEMAN, G. M., Kingswood, Surrey, former chairman, Assoc. of Hardware Trade 570,640
LEEMING, J. R., Burton, Cumbria 188,439
LOWE, Marjorie L., Broadstone, Dorset 130,344
NEVILLE, Constance M., Harrogate, North Yorks ... 717,288
OLIPHANT, M. D., Chelsea, former sugar refiner 213,217
THOMPSON, Mrs Marjorie I., Great Glen, Leics 205,432
WATKINS, Mrs Doris E., Chalfont St Peter, Bucks ... 130,167

TODAY'S EVENTS

Queen's Life Guard mounts, Horse Guards, 11.
British Museum: George Hart, "Deities of the Pharaohs: the struggle of Horus and Seth," 11.30; "Lord of the Pharaohs: the aristocrats," 1.15.
British Library: Penelope Wallis, "Manuscripts and their place in medieval art," 12; "East Anglian period of manuscript painting," 2.
National Gallery: Film—Delacroix, 1.
St Anne & St Agnes, Gresham St: Janus Ensemble, 1.10.
St Michael, Cornhill: Organ recital by Jonathan Rennert, 1.
St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Sq.: Peter Thomas (violin) with Peggy Gray (piano), 1-15.

TOMORROW'S EVENTS

Princess Anne, Chancellor, The University of London, attends a Presentation Ceremony at the Royal Albert Hall, p.m.; President of the British Academy of Film and Television Arts, dines with the Council of the Academy at 195 Piccadilly.
Queen's Life Guard mounts, Horse Guards, 11; Queen's Guard mounts, Buckingham Palace, 4.
British Museum: Jonathan Tubb "Palestine and Syria in the late Bronze age," 11.30; Susan Woodford "The Sculptures of the Parthenon," 1.15.
British Library: Penelope Wallis "Anglo Saxon Manuscripts," 12.30; "Carolingian Manuscripts," 2.
National Gallery: Monica Bohm Duchen "Chagall at the Royal Academy," 1.
St Bride's, Fleet Street: David Bishop organ recital, 1.15.
St Martin's, Ludgate Hill: Muriel Levin piano recital, 1.15.
St Olave's, Hart Street: Peter O'Hagen piano recital, 1.05.

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ENGLAND LEAD IN CAMROSE BRIDGE

By Our Bridge Correspondent

England took the lead in the first round of the home international bridge series for the Camrose Trophy at the weekend with a 25-11 victory over Scotland, while Northern Ireland won a close match against Wales 19-17.

Match scores were: England v Scotland, 10-2, 4-8, 11-1; N Ireland v Wales, 10-2, 3-8, 6-6. Teams:

England: I. M. Armstrong & G. T. Kirby; A. R. Forrester & R. S. Brock; Mrs S. Horton & Mrs S. Landy. Non-playing captain, J. Faulkner.

Scotland: G. Cuthbertson & V. Goldberg; A. H. Duncan & B. D. Short; I. Arthur & D. Diamond. N.P.C. W. Mitchell.

N Ireland: M. Rosenberg & S. Hall; B. Senior & R. Campbell; G. Mackenzie & M. O'Kane. N.P.C. K. Singleton.

Wales: P. D. Jourdain & R. G. Orme; Mrs J. Newton & Miss J. R. Preston; M. N. First & G. Holman. N.P.C. G. J. Isaac.

BRITISH CHESS MASTER LEADS IN U.S. MATCH

The youngest chess master, the British champion Nigel Short, 19, of Atherton, Lancashire is leading, by a win and a draw in his match with the American national champion Lev Alburt, 39, in Foxboro, Massachusetts.

No challenge match between the British and American champions has been arranged before. It was possibly motivated by England finishing ahead of America in the chess Olympiad in Greece where Short played as our second reserve and did not score well.

The purse in America is $8,000 (£7,150). Eight games will be played by Jan. 27.

Holland tournament

In the annual Hoogoven tournament at Wijk-aan-Zee, Holland and England's John Nunn, both grand masters. Each had scored two wins and a draw.

STATION LINED UP

By Our Transport Correspondent

A £2 million station with two-hourly express services from London is to open at Telford, Shropshire, next year with the new town corporation paying £1,400,000 towards the cost.

GALLERY SWITCH SHELVED

By KEITH NURSE Arts Correspondent

PLANS for a new £30 million home for the National Portrait Gallery on a commanding Thames-side site on the South Bank have been shelved because of opposition from the Greater London Council and Lambeth Borough planning committee.

The Lambeth authority had declared that the site should be used for housing and the resulting confusion had made it impossible for the Gallery to proceed, says Lord Kenyon, chairman of the trustees in the Gallery report for 1983-84 published yesterday.

Proposals for funding the project had now had to be placed in "cold storage" because of the change of heart by the two authorities.

Inappropriate use

The Government first agreed in 1972 that the gallery should be provided with a much-needed new building, and two years ago it was disclosed that, following discussions with the G L C and Lambeth, a detailed brief had been prepared by the Department of the Environment for the project, to be located on a 2·15-acre site between Hungerford railway bridge and the Jubilee Gardens.

The land, now used as a car park, was to have been bought from the G L C for about £7 million. But a subsequent architect's report commissioned by the *G L C* declared that the proposal for the Gallery, a large and by definition inward looking building, was a wholly inappropriate land use of a remaining area of *uncommitted space in central London.*

In the present financial climate, however, the funding of such a project would have been a formidable problem.

Dr John Hayes, director of the Gallery, said yesterday "Unless we can get a large amount of private funds the whole thing is going to be impossible to realise.

"But we can't start making an appeal unless there is a project, so we really are stymied on all sides at present."

ZOO CLOSES

The last of the animals at Southampton Zoo were moved out yesterday. Since Chipperfield's, the owners, decided to close the zoo months ago, the animals have been taken to other parks and zoos in England.

World Chess

RUY LUPEZ OPENS HARD CONTEST

By B. H. WOOD Chess Correspondent

AN unusually hard-fought game ended in another draw in the world chess championship match yesterday. It was the 38th draw out of 44 games.

A new opening was used, the Ruy Lopez. It has for long been in both players' repertoire but avoided by both in this match up to now, probably because both were nervous of prepared innovations by the other.

Gary Kasparov, the challenger, got slightly the better of it, securing two bishops against two knights, usually considered a significant advantage.

Anatoly Karpov proved that this was the exceptional case. The knights were well, almost dominatingly, posted, the bishops cramped in a blocked position. Exchanges led to a fair draw.

	KARPOV (White)	KASPAROV (Black)
1	P-K4	P-K4
2	N-KB3	N-QB3
3	B-N5	P-QR3
4	B-R4	N-B3
5	Castles	B-K2
6	R-K1	P-QN4
7	B-N3	P-Q3
8	P-B3	Castles
9	P-KR3	B-N2
10	P-Q4	R-K1
11	P-QR4	P-R3
12	QN-Q2	KPxP
13	BPxP	N-QN5
14	Q-K2	R-KB1
15	P-K5	B-B3
16	RPxP	BxP
17	Q-Q1	N(B3)-Q4
18	N-K4	P-QB5
19	N-B3	R-N1
20	NxB	RPxN
21	PxP	BxP
22	B-Q2	Q-B2
23	Q-N1	Q-Q2
24	N-K5	BxN
25	RxB	RxR
26	PxR	P-QB4
27	Q-K4	P-B5
28	B-Q1	N-Q6
29	B-KN4	Q-N3
30	Q-Q4	Q-N3
31	QxN(Q5)	Q-Pch
32	K-R2	QxB
33	R-KB1	Q-KN4
34	QxBPch	K-R1
35	P-K6	N-K4
36	Q-B5	NxBch
37	PxN	R-KL
38	QxQ	Drawn

So Karpov remains 5-1 in the lead, still needing one more win to retain his championship title. The 45th game is scheduled for tomorrow.

COLLEGES EARN £2m IN BOOKINGS

Oxford colleges expect to earn £2 million this year by hiring facilities for conferences. Bookings are up 25 per cent over five years.

Many colleges look to the conference trade as a vital way of increasing their income. Many are booked until 1987 and St Catherine's has confirmed a booking for 1989.

Art Sales

Pottery price doubles expectations

By ALISON BECKETT Art Sales Correspondent

PRICES for English pottery and porcelain repeatedly doubled expectations at Christie's South Kensington yesterday in a middle range sale of about 100 lots which totalled £16,800.

Bidding for delft in particular was well up on the last eight montsh. A Bristol blue and white puzzle jug dated around 1750, its inscription defying any gentleman to drink from it without spilling, fetched £650.

Blue and white Worcester was also popular. A tiny 1758 leaf-shaped pickle dish painted with a bird, a butterfly and flowers went for £480 while a slightly later tea-bowl and saucer of Twisted Root pattern made £190.

Lowestoft blue and white alone failed to attract any extra interest, although coloured wares from the same factory brought high bidding. A 200-year-old mug, less than five inches high realised £420.

Musician figures

Among other highlights a pair of Derby figures of musicians dated 1768 and eight inches high considerably surpassed their estimate at £320. Prices for 19th Century tea and dessert services generally continued to rise.

An 1820s Spode felspar and yellow ground dessert service which was far from complete went for £620 against expectations of £300. An 1840 Minton part dessert service in a traditionally unpopular green, doubled its estimate and made £380.

There is no buyer's premium.

FREE PARKING

By Our Transport Correspondent

Free car parking throughout this year is being tried at Tilehurst railway station, near Reading, as an experiment to try to attract more passengers. Previously, about 90 commuters— 8 SHRDLU CMFW day to park.

JUG MUG

A special commemorative mug is being issued to mark the centenary this year of Cardiff prison.

Obituary

EARL OF LYTTON

THE Earl of Lytton who has died aged 84, succeeded his father as fourth early in 1951. In 1967 he succeeded his mother as 17th Baron Wentworth.

A Catholic peer who sat as a crossbencher in the Lords, he was also an author, soldier and administrator. Noel Anthony Selwyn Lytton was educated at Downside and Sandhurst.

He was commissioned into the Rifle Brigade in 1921 and served with the King's African Rifles from 1922 to 1927. In 1924-25 he was Administrator of the Samburu and Turkhana districts of Kenya.

During the 1939-45 War he served in North Africa, Italy, Greece and Austria and in 1944 was Administrator of the Patras district of Greece. In 1945-46 he was chief staff officer to the military government in Vienna. He was appointed an O B E in 1945.

Sussex farmer

Before the war he did youth work in Bermondsey as leader of a working boys' club and also served as a membed of the Youth Advisory Council. Since 1959 he had been a farmer in Sussex.

His books include a study of sis kinman, the poet Wilfred Scawen Blunt, an autobiography "The Desert and the Green", two novels "Mickla Bendore" and "Lucia In Taormina" and a history "The Stolen Desert".

In 1946 he married Clarissa Mary, daughter of Brig. Gen. C. E. Palmer, and they had two sons and three daughters. The eldest son, Viscount Knebworth, succeeds to the earldom.

LADY CELIA MILNES-COATES

Lady Celia Milnes-Coates who has died aged 100, was the last suriviving daughter of the Marquess of Crewe by his first marriage to Miss Sybil Graham of Netherby, and a granddaughter of Richard Monckton-Milnes. Her mother was a granddaughter of the Duchess of Somerset, Queen of Beauty at the Eglinton Tournament and herself a grand-daughter of Richard Brinsley Sheridan.

When she was a child she sat on Mr Gladstone's knee. She spent three years at Viceregal Lodge in Dublin when her father was appointed by Mr Gladstone to be Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland.

In 1906 Lady Celia married Sir Clive Coates, second baronet, and returned once again to the Viceregal Lodge in Dublin where her husband was seconded from his regiment to be Master of the Horse to Lord Aberdeen. Sir Clive died in 1971. Lady Celia had two sons, one of whom was killed in action in 1944, and two daughters.

Sir Robert Taylor. In London aged 72. Chairman, Thomas Tilling 1976-83, entered Civil Service 1937. Colonial Service 1948. Financial Secy, Northern Rhodesia 1952-58, Secy Federal Treasury Rhodesia and Nyasaland 1954-58. Chairman Richard Costain 1969-75. CBE 1956, knighted 1963.

Sir Leslie Pott. At Berkhamsted, Herts, aged 81. Diplomat, entered Levant Consular Service 1924. Consul-General, Tabriz 1947-50, Deputy High Commissioner, Bombay 1950-52, Consul-General, Istanbul 1952-55, Marseilles 1955-61, Monaco 1957-61. CBE 1957, KBE 1962.

Brig Dennis John Edwin O'Flynn. At Camberley aged 77. Commissioned, Royal Tank Corps 1928, brigade commander 1953-60. Served Transjordan Frontier Force 1952-36, Palestine 1936, served 1939-45 War, 79 Armoured Division, France Holland Germany, DSO 1945. Commander, Third Royal Tank Regt 1948-50. CBE 1960.

Mrs Violet Anne Ruth Dance. In Sussex aged 80. Widow of James Dance, Conservative M P for Bromsgrove 1955-71, whom she married 1934 and who died 1971. Member of National Women's Advisory Committee C B E 1962.

CARROTS CAN TURN YOUR SKIN YELLOW

By Our Medical Consultant

Overeating carrots, which is liable to occur in those on cult diets or extreme forms of vegetarianism, can turn the skin yellow, it is pointed out in a leading article in the current issue of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL.

Although jaundice is the commonest cause of the skin becoming yellow, it may also occur as a result of consuming excessive amounts of carotene—the precursor of Vitamin A—of which carrots are a rich source. The distinguishing feature is that the whites of the eyes become yellow in cases of jaundice, but not with carotene.

Large amounts of carrots were advocated for night fighter pilots in the 1939-45 War to improve their night vision. Vitamin A poisoning cannot result from an overindulgence in carrots.

'GOOD DRIVING' LECTURES FOR OFFENDERS

Young motoring offenders are being ordered to attend a six-month course of lectures on the perils of drink driving, watch police road safety slide shows, and sit an examination while on probation at Basildon, Essex.

The "responsible motorist course" is the idea of Mr Trevor Beacham, Basildon's senior probation officer. Some offenders have to attend it as part of a probation order.

Mr Beacham said: "Local courts are becoming increasingly concerned at the rising death toll in the county and the lack of knowledge among young drivers. Many irresponsible youngsters see road rules as another piece of petty bureaucracy and interfering by officials.

WAY OF THE WORLD

Many Dimensions

ON the proposed commemoration of V E Day Dr Carpenter, the Dean of Westminster, says that if there is a commemoration service in the Abbey, it will need "both a German and a Russian dimension." It will be a service of thanksgiving for the liberation of people from tyranny, and for the liberation of the Germans as much as for the Jews and the rest of Europe because the Germans were unable to throw off their intolerable regime on their own.

Some Germans, in fact, tried to do so; many paid for it with their lives, without any help or recognition from outside. But let that pass for once.

"The Russian dimension," says Dr Carpenter, "is that we were allies together and that the result of the war might have been different without the Russians."

It might be said that we and the Communist-ruled Russians were allies only in the sense that we were both at war with the Germans. Let that pass too. As for the result of the war, no one can say.

But if there is to be a "Russian dimension" in the Abbey service (does this mean that officially atheist representatives of the Soviet Empire should take part?) shouldn't there also be a Polish dimension and a Hungarian dimension, a Czech dimension and a Slovak dimension, a Romanian dimension and Lithuanian, Latvian and Estonian dimensions, as well as Ukranian and White Russian?

For the people of these countries V E Day did not mean liberation from tyranny. It meant the exchange of one kind of tyranny for another kind of tyranny, equally vile and with powers of indefinite endurance which for all its evil might the Nazi tyranny, as was plain long before 1945, so obviously lacked.

If we are talking of dimensions, there is also the dimension of all those peoples beyond Europe who, as a result of the Soviet victory in 1945, suffer under Soviet tyranny today.

An Afghan dimension . . . what would Dr Carpenter say to that?

Vandal Angle

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This, it is said, will take our public telephone system into the 21st century. It is one of the reasons why we have to pay more and more for our public and private telephones here and now in the 20th century. Who but a clod would grudge it?

As for vandal-proofing, "SUPERGOTH," "Way of the

World" Vandal Correspondent, comments: "I reckon the lads in the West Midlands Vandal League will find a way of dealing with this diabolical attack on what you might call the infrastructure of our grand old sport. It's a right challenge, like, and as such we shall meet it, head on and welcome.

"It looks to me as if these Telecom geezers have never heard of escalation. Like in the international sphere, the more massive weapons the Telecom Establishment brings into play, the bigger our retaliation. While I do not suppose we shall turn for help to the Eastern Bloc, like, for nuclear warheads, Telecom is certainly asking for it.

"Meanwhile, you'll want to know the state of play in the League. In this hard winter, with many activities such as municipal shrub-uprooting in limbo, Soup Hales Iconoclasts, with 210 points, are neck and neck with Lampton Huns, just ahead by a whisker on broken window average.

Wonder boy Des Krakatoa, the Connies' star basher, has done the coveted double again by simultaneously demolishing the old folks' shelter in the Soup Hales Sunset Garden with one hand while digging up a flowerbed with the other (with spade attached!).

Well done, Des! Keep this up and, barring accidents—one of the joys of the vandal game, mind you—the Connies should shoot to the head of the League table like nobody's business!

Kiosk's Plea

THE so-called "railway rapist," Allan Pearey, who was jailed for life after he had terrorised women along a railway route in Kent, admitting six rapes and four indecent assaults in 16 months, has been jailed for life.

At his trial his defending lawyer explained that after having four children by his first wife he underwent vasectomy. Then he married again and, wanting to have children, had an operation to reverse the first one. But it was not successful. His sexual assaults were a way of expressing his anger.

"Deep inside me," he said, "I knew I had a very bad prob-

lem . . . I am glad I have been caught because now I have been able to talk about it and . . . receive the help I so desperately need."

In recognition of his guilt he offered to donate one of his kidneys to a hospital. He has also applied for permission for him and his second wife to have a child by artificial insemination.

At a seminar at Nerdley last week, Dr Heinz Kiosk, the eminent social psychologist and chief psychiatric adviser to the South Eastern Gas Board, said he had been dealing with cries for help throughout his professional career and had never heard one louder than this.

"It is all the more agonising because Mr Pearcey is so keenly aware of the latest advances in transplant surgery and reproduction technology. He is, in the true sense, a man of vision.

"It is shocking that such a man should be in prison. He has much to offer our society. Instead of being condemned to idleness he should be released at once. I shall be happy to do all I can to arrange a lecture tour which will enable him to enlighten many who now cherish a prejudice not only against what is all too often called 'rape' but also against medical progress in general.

"While he remains in prison our society is guilty. And not only your society," he went on, shouting above the scraping of chairs as his audience, too late, realised they had been trapped again. "WE ARE ALL GUILTY," he bawled, as a demoralised mob fought their way towards the doors with an ear-splitting collective cry for help which could be heard two miles away.

Caring Away

A READER of the SUNDAY MIRROR wrote to Claire Rayner, the appalling woman who writes its "advice" column, saying that unlike some, she suffered no feelings of guilt about having had an abortion and was grateful to the "very caring people" at the abortion clinic she consulted.

To this Claire Rayner replied: "I get as many letters like yours as I do letters expressing guilt over abortion. The simple fact is that all women are different and all have different needs at different times.

"In a caring society, provision is made to give to all according to their present need rather than sticking to hard and fast rules about 'right' and 'wrong.' Like you I'm glad the clinics are there to provide such help."

It is good in a way to see it stated in black and white, and by such an eminent authority, that the distinction between right and wrong has now been abolished. Many who may still be doubtful about this ridiculous, old-fashioned distinction will be reassured.

Peter Simple

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AT that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight. Matthew XI, v. 25-26.

GRATEFUL thanks, SS Anthony and Jude.—A.

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Design for a career in the family tradition

BY ELIZABETH WILLIAMSON

VICTORIA MANSER could scarcely avoid becoming an architect. The shape and function of buildings is a family preoccupation. Her father is the president of the Royal Institute of British Architects; her mother writes about design, which sometimes touches on architecture; and her brother has satisfied his childhood ambition to become an architect.

She was the kind of child who enjoyed making things and the feeling for architecture developed as a kind of osmosis, inevitable in such a hothouse of design-sensitive people. Early hopes of following in father's footsteps were not encouraged by her parents.

"My older brother had grown up wanting to be an architect," she says. "I tried very hard not to be one but decided when I was doing my 'A' levels that I had to do it. You realise that your mind ticks over that way.

"I was average and didn't shine brilliantly at anything. The great appeal of architecture is the variety. You learn about the law a bit and the whole business of dealing with people. Then there is the mechanical and structural side and the drawing, when you work out things as you go along."

Victoria does not think it odd that there are not more women architects. The training takes seven years from the start to beginning a career as a qualified architect and some of the qualities needed do not come naturally to all women.

Learning to deal with people firmly and to be taken seriously by a wide variety of people is not always easy for an architect who happens to be a woman. The training is long and demands grit and perseverance. "When I started there were about 12 girls in a total of 50. I was the only one who qualified. It is a long haul and you have to have a lot of confidence and determination.

"It really is a fantastic career for a woman. At the Architectural Association there were lots of girls but relatively few qualified. It must be something to do with temperament.

"Architects have to be tough and very direct: they have a lot of hassle to cope with and need to be energetic. Women tend to steer away from a confrontation but you have to be prepared to say what you want and feel.

"Women have a sensitivity to the finer details. We're more careful; it could be said pedantic. And the way we deal with people is different. There can be a difficulty when dealing with men. They don't feel they can put their confidence in you but they are fine when you get going. Often you see an initial reaction on someone's face. That's what I dread. On a building site you can see them looking at you and thinking 'Is this right?'."

One of the unlovable and undesirable qualities that a lot of architects possess is a degree of arrogance that does not endear them to the rest of us.

Victoria sees it and dislikes it: "Architects have a very bad reputation for being arrogant and prima donna-ish. As an architect you know a bit about everything and you are always dealing with people who have an expert knowledge of their subject."

Her first break came when she was put in charge of a dance centre. "It was a tremendous job and I was very lucky because the partner who had been working on it left and I was running it."

Early next month she is going it alone and starting up as a one-woman architectural practice. Her newest success which is on public view is the intriguing new Virago Bookshop in Southampton Street, skirting Covent Garden. A dropped letter V hangs above the entrance, underlined by the larger V-shape of the woodwork inside.

It is the kind of bookshop that beckons you in, with books set out in areas of shelving that avoid a claustrophobic effect, broken up by trellis-effect carpentry on the upper balcony and classical effects such as a pedimented bookcase.

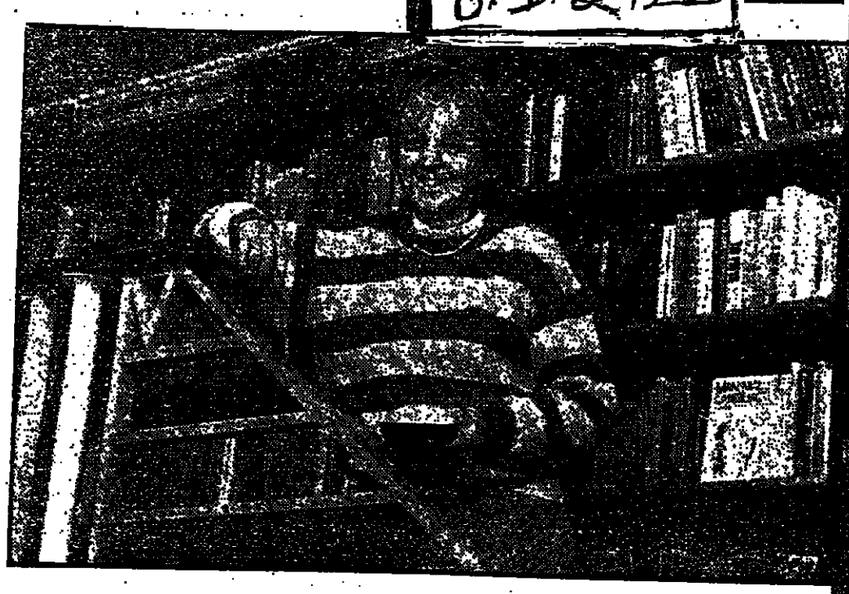
"I loved doing this job," she says. "I suppose I've been a bit spoilt having a client who is so interested in the design. It's been quite a luxury to be able to indulge myself but obviously a place like this must work well."

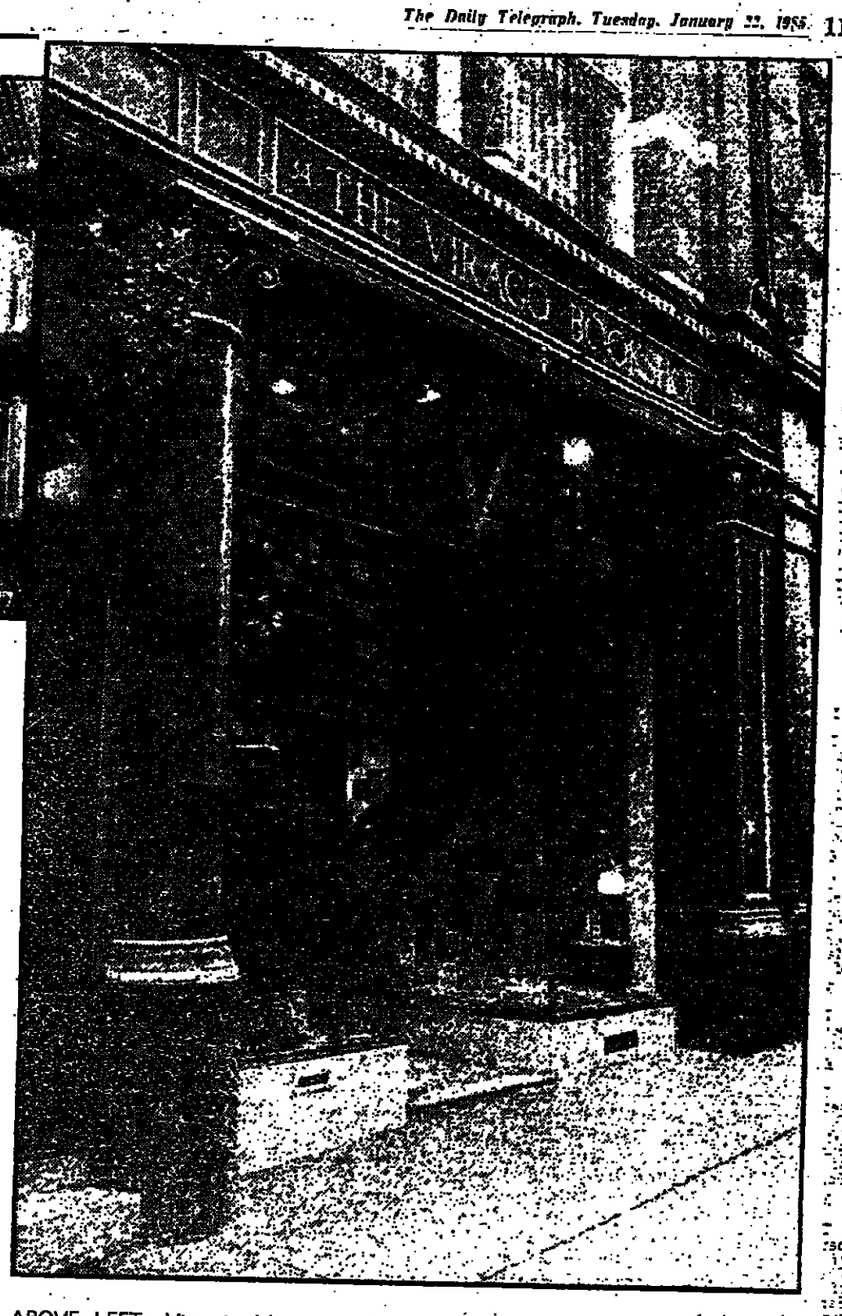
She aims for classical simplicity, a premise she plans to put into practice when designing a new house for her parents-in-law. Her family, once they accepted the idea that she was serious about an architectural career, were very supportive, as has been her husband who trained as an engineer but now works for a pre-cast concrete business and often deals with architects too.

Her aim is to build up an architectural practice that moves easily from designing a new house extension (she is doing two for old school friends in London), building new houses when precious building lots can be found, and handling all kinds of commercial work.

Planning problems and regulations are the contemporary architects' nightmare and we often get the building the planners have decided is apt, rather than the more exciting idea the architect would have preferred.

Victoria thinks that it is now very difficult to get an imaginative and different scheme for a shopping centre through the sieve of official approval. "The planning controls have a lot to do with ugly architecture," she says. "They shy away from anything creative and interesting. They don't want to be thought responsible for anything that is open to criticism because they are answerable to the community as a whole."





ABOVE LEFT: Victoria Manser explores the upper balcony in her latest architectural success, The Virago Bookshop. ABOVE: the exterior bears a distinctive letter V, a shape which is repeated in the woodwork inside.

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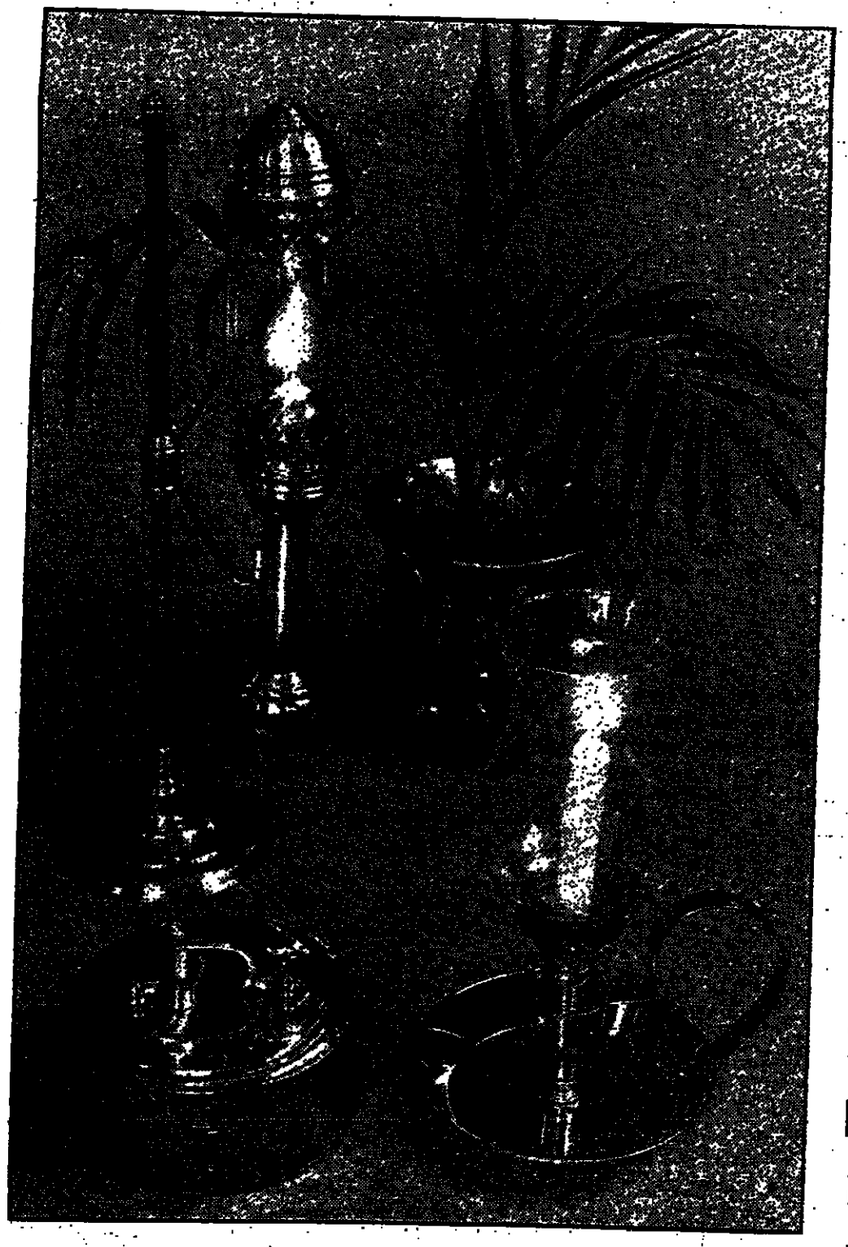

JUST A TOUCH OF BRASS

THERE is nothing like the mature gleam of brass to add a welcoming touch to a dining-room table. Brass candle lamps shed a soft, even glow from their candles, which are pushed up by a spring underneath.

The firm Samuel Heath and Sons has been making brassware in Birmingham since 1820 and includes a reproduction railway-carriage lamp (pictured top left) in its range of atmospheric brass, which is lacquered to last the course. This costs £41 from larger branches of the John Lewis Partnership.

All branches of John Lewis stock the brass candlestick lamp (below right) also by Heath and Sons, price £27.

The Global Village department in the basement at Liberty, Regent Street, London W1, sells a lot of ethnic brassware, both new and old. There are some nice old Indian pieces which are thought to be late copies of earlier styles and some things which find a new use in European homes.

The pierced brass incense box (below left) £9, would make an excellent container for pot-pourri. Top right is a heavy brass bowl with indented, leaf-shaped sides: £32·50.

Pictures by PAUL ARMIGER

Tiles that echo with the past

THOSE with a passion for William De Morgan tiles will find an echo of his ceramic works of art in Rye Tiles' new design, somewhat prosaically called Lamberhurst.

It is in high Art Nouveau style and the fact that it is being produced commercially would have appalled De Morgan, who disapproved of the industrial potters like Minton, Hollins and Maw and refused to have his designs made available on the mass market.

The Lamberhurst tile is a charming combination of snakeshead fritillary, lily of the valley and polyanthus, and would look very much at home in a turn-of-the-century house.

Like everything else that Rye Tiles makes, it is available in 100 or so colours, orders take from three to six weeks and the tiles cost £27 sq yd, slightly more for the pinks and reds.

Additional new patterns from Rye are Sandhurst and Ewhurst, both condensed flower patterns. The lighter Hawkhurst has lacy interminglings of delicate flowers.

From Rye Tiles shop at 12 Connaught Street, London W1 and specialist tile shops.

ABOVE: tiles, left to right: Sandhurst, Ewhurst and Hawkhurst with, in the foreground, Lamberhurst. All cost £27 sq yd from Rye Tiles.

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Send a 17p, stamped addressed envelope for the fact sheet to Pickfords' Marketing Department, 492 Great Cambridge Road, Enfield, Middlesex EN1 3SA.

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Cheap dining tables and chairs will be even cheaper from Saturday when the 12 branches of The Reject Shop will be cutting a further 15 per cent, off dining set prices.

They are ideal for first, second homes, kitchens and teenagers' rooms. Two of the sets have folding chairs, useful when space is limited. The design called Trestle is sporty and made in black, red or white. A table and four chairs costs £52·95.

Gothic is the most traditional in appearance and is made in a black finish or natural wood; table and four chairs for £259. There are London Reject Shops at 234 Kings Road, London SW3; 245-249 Brompton Road, London SW3; 209 Tottenham Court Road, London W1.

Provincial branches are in Birmingham, Brighton, Bromley, Cambridge, Kingston-upon-Thames, Nottingham, Peterborough, Wakefield and Watford.

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Due to the fact that robots are now spraying two of Tower Housewares' new ranges of non-stick pans, prices have been substantially reduced. The Royale range is made of a heavier gauge aluminium than the cheaper Black Diamond shape.

Both are coated with SilverStone non-stick finish and, from the outside, look more like products to use in the dining room than the kitchen. Royale pans are suitable for use on ceramic hobs and cost from £8·99 for a milkpan. Black Diamond milkpans cost £5·99.

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Ironing boards that fold away are a good idea and Boulton and Paul Joinery has added one to its range that fits into the kitchen unit drawer space. Ideal for the small, galley-type kitchen, it costs £56.50 plus V.A.T. Stockist information from Boulton and Paul Joinery, Riverside Works, Norwich.

ARE YOU SITTING COMFORTABLY?

FINDING the perfect tailor-made chair is not easy. Chairs always seem to be made with someone else in mind. They are too high or too short, the seat too deep or too shallow and, most maddening of all, they are increasingly difficult for older people to get out of.

Parker Knoll, which makes the wing chair that is a classic of British anonymity, has worked with Danish designer Flemming Hvidt, to produce a chair that is exactly tailored to the sitter's needs.

The opinions of physiotherapists, doctors and ergonomics experts have all been incorporated in the new chair, which is available with a number of options. Made in high- or low-backed or winged versions, the chair can have padded arms or wood, adjustable neck pillows, slide-on trays or a swivel-and-tilt table. The choices are so complex that it is simpler to send for their glossy brochure.

Sitters are measured for the perfect chair at 100 Parker Care centres, which are in-store at furniture retailers all over the country. The basic Flemming chair costs from £215.

For those who find it difficult to get out of a chair, there are two optional mechanisms that lift the seat gently into an upright position.

Alas, costing more than the chairs, the motorised lift costs £478 extra, the spring lift £197. There are also leg supports available and a variety of options, all detailed in the brochure, which is available, post free, from Ken Mahoney, Parker Care, P O Box 22, Frogmoor, High Wycombe, Bucks HP13 5DJ, who will also automatically send stockist details.

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FIRM TO THE END

MR SCARGILL IS LOSING his battle. The strike was crumbling last week, it is crumbling further now. The principle, grasped by leading working miners, that once a small bridgehead has been established, the returning invasion grows fast, has been spelt out at Kellingly, one of the biggest pits in the country, lying within the Yorkshire area and now producing coal. Mr SCARGILL chose this battle, the rank and file did not. The loyalty of men devoted to union traditions is very near to exhaustion after being grossly overdrawn by the NUM leader in his role as an international cabaret star. It is crucial that, as pre-talks are set up, nothing is conceded which can be massaged into talk of a victory, or even a draw. Far too much has been conceded already. We are probably on the edge of a defeat for a major public service union so conclusive that the expectations and battle plans of other public sector unions will be revised into sanity. There must not be a 10-month war which ends in a form of words and in the saving of a very unattractive face. The old hankering after cosiness which still resides within the NCB must not compromise a hard won victory which signals to NUPE and the NUR their own prospective defeats.

This has nothing to do with vindictiveness. It is a recognition that slippage, concession and fudge towards the service unions have more responsibility over a period of years for the debased pound, high interest rates and the broad debility of the economy than any other cause. Pre-emptive defeatism feeding on the pit strikes of 1972 and 1974 has influenced the attitudes of public boards spending transferred revenue. Euphoria at those victories has encouraged all unions in that sector, even when moderately led, to think expansively. Accordingly the split in the NUM is good news and should be made welcome. Rational self-interest has at last arrived on the scene. But any concession made now will be exploited and sold long by Mr SCARGILL, who is a superlative public performer, to minimise the defeat he has suffered. If we want rational settlements for years ahead in the utilities, if we want the contingent effects of such restraint to be felt in the economy, generally, then weakness calling itself conciliation cannot be afforded. The defeat of Mr SCARGILL'S NUM is the pre-condition of economic reconstruction.

CYPRUS—A LOST CHANCE

THE FAILURE OF THE TALKS between the Greek and Turkish communities in Cyprus is a blow for the whole Western alliance as well as a tragedy for the people of this divided island. For the West, it means that an important component of the quarrel between Turkey and Greece remains in place, thus weakening Nato's southern flank and giving the Soviet Union an opportunity to exploit the situation. For the Cypriots, it means a continuation of the situation which has led to a physical division of the island, the inability of people to stay in their own homes, and a total ban on contact between the two sides.

It was PERES DE CUELLAR, the UN Secretary-General, who supervised the three months of "proximity talks" which led to the New York conference, and finally hammered out a document setting out what he thought the two sides had agreed. That draft paper contained a number of important Turkish concessions, notably the abandonment of the idea of a rotating Presidency, and an undertaking to return some nine per cent. of the 37 per cent. of the island occupied by Turkish forces. President KYPRIANOU, when he went to New York, saw the Secretary-General's draft as the basis for negotiations, while Mr DENKTASH wanted to sign immediately and leave details to be hammered out in working groups over the next year or so.

There was pressure from America on Ankara to make Mr DENKTASH move as far as he did. Next time, both the Turkish Government and the Turkish Cypriot leadership will find it difficult to accept that any movement will be worthwhile. The Secretary-General spoke in the end of the narrowness of the gap between the two sides. But the existence of any gap at all seems to be the result of weakness and intransigence on the part of President KYPRIANOU and his advisers. Certainly the territorial concessions offered were not as great as many Greek Cypriots would have hoped — particularly those from the Norphou region who would not be going home. At the same time, they were greater than any which had been put forward before. A considerable opportunity has been lost.

TAX ON WATER

THAMES WATER which supplies 11 million customers and is the largest water authority in the country, is set to do battle with the Government. It claims, after a cost-cutting exercise carried out over recent months, that there is no economic justification for it increasing its charges to consumers over the coming year by more than three per cent.—well below the official rate of inflation, yet sufficient according to its own managers to continue to achieve healthy profits. As ROY WATTS, chairman, says, the authority would generate at its proposed charges "good and possibly excessive profits. We want to give customers the benefit of it." How then is it that, under a Tory Government, dedicated to championing the consumer, Thames is being instructed to quadruple its planned increase?

According to Mr WATTS, the instruction to increase charges beyond the level which his own board feels appropriate is political. He says that the Government is insisting on an extra 9 per cent. increase in charges to put money in the pocket of the Government. "We believe that the current cost convention and other arguments used by the Government are a smokescreen for the real intention, which is to raise money for non-water purposes from my water customers. If that is what the Government wants, it should be overt, not covert."

For a Government that in its first term struck a plus point with water consumers all over the country by arranging the abolition of the National Water Council, seen at the time as a meddlesome and costly force pushing up prices, the dispute with Thames could possibly generate a bitter aftertaste. It is therefore important that IAN GOW, the Minister responsible for laying down the financial targets for water authorities, now speaks up. For Mr WATTS, probably with the support of the overwhelming majority of his 11 million customers, seems to be on a winner in seeking to take the enforced increase to the Commons to determine whether the Government instruction—which, incidentally, would entail an average water bill of about £90—is legal. As things appear at the moment, it looks like a piece of backdoor taxation that the Government is about. They are pushing water uphill.

The danger of too many cooks spoiling for a fight

RALPH HARRIS criticises a recent case brought under the Equal Pay Act and explains why it brings the law into disrepute

WE were alerted recently to the case of Julie Hayward, the cook who aspired to be equated with a male painter, carpenter and thermal insulation engineer. I would have said the "incredible" case if that was not an inexact use of language in an age when fact daily mocks fantasy.

It used to be said that Parliament has power to do anything except change a man into a woman. But now the Equal Opportunity Commission has turned its restless energy to achieving even such impossibilities. Thus it came about that the job of a woman cook in a canteen for shipbuilders is found to be *exactly* equivalent to a carpenter working 20ft up on a rig for gas exploration in the Irish Sea.

Like most absurdities, this case emerges at the thick end of an initially thin wedge, in this case the Equal Pay Act of 1970 which first deployed the legislative hammer to crack the nut of alleged discrimination between men and women's earnings. But at least this law set itself to achieve something that appears attainable in principle, if not so easily enforceable in practice. Thus Section One of the Act required employers to give "equal treatment as regards terms and conditions of employment to men and women" so long as they were employed on "like work" that was "rated as equivalent."

You don't have to be a raging feminist to think that a female bank clerk, nurse or doctor doing the same work equally well as male colleagues should be paid the same. In fact, you would not necessarily be right so to think, because the true economic criterion is whether the customer values their work equally. In a market based on consumer choice, differential demand prevails over apparently uniform supply. Thus if men and women patients alike were overwhelmingly to prefer female nurses and male doctors, it might be necessary to pay women more than men in the first case and less in the second in order to attract the desired supply to match demand.

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BUT if we leave aside for the moment the economically decisive influence of demand, which is always subjective, we can in principle compare the objective deserts of two people doing the same work. We could then try to educate employers out of arbitrary discrimination against women, *even if we shrank from using the law.*

However, even the 1970 Act did not long satisfy the persistent feminists. Prodded by the European Community, the British law was amended this year to give a woman the prospect of proving a case for equal pay even when employed on a wholly different job from men. The legal requirement is that she can prove the work is "in terms of the demands made on her (for instance under such headings as effort, skill and decision), of equal value to that of a man in the same employment" (i.e. working for the same employer).

So it came about in April that Miss Hayward asked an industrial tribunal in Liverpool to agree that her work in the canteen is of "equal value" to that of three male tradesmen also employed by Cammell Laird Shipbuilders but at much higher pay. The first dispute was about what her job really was. She claimed to be a "cook/chef," with more than a hint of Cordon Bleu, whereas her employers bluntly classified her as "canteen assistant" working under a "chef/supervisor."

All Miss Hayward had to do through her counsel — no less, presumably paid and briefed by the Equal Opportunities Commission — was to establish "reasonable grounds" for claiming "equal value." Since the regulations were interpreted by the Minister as ruling out only hopeless cases, the tribunal was obliged to appoint an independent expert from a panel appointed by the blessed Acas.

After spending 3½ hours on site in the shipyard and 3 hours in the canteen and seemingly endless to-ing and fro-ing between the parties our expert, who turns out to be a university tutor from Bangor, submitted a final report five months later.

The report is hardly comprehensible without the expenditure of disproportionate effort thumbing backwards and forwards over its tortuous comparisons. Diligent study reveals that the four wholly different jobs are compared under the following five vague categories: physical demands, environmental demands, planning and decision-making, skill and knowledge required, and responsibility.

Each job is then crudely rated "moderate" or "low" (there being no "high" demands), and wonder of wonders, the cook comes up trumps. According to the mumbo-jumbo of "job comparisons based on job evaluation methods" the female canteen assistant turns out to be *exactly equal* to the assorted male craftsmen doing totally different work in utterly contrasting circumstances.

True the joiner sometimes works in the cold outdoors, or in cramped conditions, or up a ladder from where he may carelessly drop his tools on someone's head. But the cook suffers "hot and humid conditions" in the kitchen, has to bend and stretch, and must also exercise care if she is not to give everyone food poisoning. Of course the craftsmen have to judge their material, face "fumes, noise and dust" and bravely risk hazards from their saws and chisels. But what about the cook with *all that* "mental effort required in planning" (actually the menus are laid down on a six-week cycle), the constant standing and periodic "awkward postures," to say nothing of those "hazards of boiling fat, steam and hot ovens."

It never occurs to our solemn expert to ask Miss Hayward if she doesn't like the heat why not get out of the kitchen. Instead, he bores away for almost 40 stupefying pages of arbitary, anecdotal claim and counter claim.

I wonder how all this can be taken seriously by anyone who is not paid a fee to keep a straight face when reading it.

On two key issues, the expert and the tribunal are prevented from making any judgment. Thus our academic Solomon lamely notes that the various factors into which jobs are analysed cannot be given varying weights to indicate their relative importance, since that would risk the unspeakable sin of "sex bias," presumably because men and women do after all have differing aptitudes.

Accordingly, equal weight is given to the five variables as though they are of identical importance in all four of these disparate jobs. On the question of whose work is "of most value to the employer," we are tartly warned that any such discussion "contradicts the regulations and is wrong." Yet in the real world this is the decisive issue. Pop *stars, footballers, salesmen,* Q Cs may earn astronomic pay that has nothing to do with environment, etc, but everything to do with their "value to the employer" who is ultimately the customer.

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SINCE the regulations rule out questioning any "facts" in the expert report, the tribunal had no alternative but to declare our female catering assistant the equal of the male craftsmen and therefore worthy of the same wages. But it understandably expressed regret that the legislature "in its wisdom" had imposed such a "severe constraint" which brought about "the effective removal from the tribunal of its own primary fact-finding role."

Why then do we pretend this pseudo-science has anything to do with law, rather than with the devious special-pleading at which trade union negotiators are past masters and which no one else is obliged to treat seriously, much less pay for out of public funds?

Lord Harris of High Cross is General Director of the Institute of Economic Affairs.

LONDON DAY BY DAY

A draft of vintage Tebbit

NORMAN TEBBIT will deliver his *first major speech since the* Brighton bombing to the Coningsby Club at the Carlton tomorrow. It will be vintage Tebbit.

Although speeches to the club are normally off the record, the Trade and Industry Secretary has insisted that his words are reported — although television cameras will be barred.

From early drafts of his speech — which points to the limited role Government can play in curing unemployment — it is clear that he intends his come-back to be a *tour de force.*

Because of the injuries he sustained last October Tebbit is restricting himself to a light speaking programme. But the word at Westminster — which has been a far duller place without him — is that tomorrow's speech is the first of a series which will place him firmly back in the Tory eye.

Pit props

THE WORKFORCE at Kiveton Park colliery near Worksop, Notts, the scene of yesterday's mass return to work, has always been sceptical of Arthur Scargill's blandishments and reluctant to do his bidding.

Prior to the last election the pits delegates to Rother Valley Labour party were instructed by the NUM's Yorkshire area to vote to "de-select" Peter Hardy, the moderate MP for the area. The orders were for the delegates to back a militant Scargill nominee instead.

Rather than conform, the colliery's NUM branch arranged for its affiliation to the Labour party to lapse so that its delegates were ineligible to attend the selection meeting. Hardy, now MP for Wentworth following the boundary changes, survived to fight another day.

The American conductor Charles Ansbacher, who makes his British debut at the Barbican tomorrow, has as director of the Colorado Spring Symphony Orchestra pioneered the combining of sports with music. His achievements, according to his publicity, include devising special classical programmes for synchronised swimmers called "Classical Splashers."

Book making...

AS SOON as Lester Piggott gave the word yesterday that he was retiring at the end of the flat racing season, a race began among publishers to produce a biography of the champion jockey.

Hotly tipped favourite is the thriller writer and ex-jockey Dick Francis, backed by publishers Michael Joseph. Francis has had a long standing agreement with his friend Piggott to write an official life, giving him an enormous advantage over competitors. Piggott's taciturn response to one would-be biographer is typical. "What's there to it?" he was asked. "Not much."

The other contender in the race is Robson Books who are negotiating with SPECTATOR low-life columnist Jeffrey Bernard for an unofficial biography of Piggott.

... and the odds-on shot

ONE STORY concerning Lester Piggott which is probably apocryphal and will not appear in any authorised biography involves the champion's conduct at a rather up-market pheasant shoot.

While others fired away at birds driven overhead, Piggott became engaged by a pheasant which was trapped behind a wire fence at the edge of the wood.

As the bird ran up and down the wire, menacingly tracked by Piggott's shotgun, his host mumured: "We do not shoot at running birds." Piggott, apparently, retorted: "I'm waiting for the thing to stand still."

Lord Balogh, who died last weekend, and his fellow Hungarian, Lord Kaldor, who both advised the Wilson government on economic policy during the 1960s, were known in the Press as the "terrible twins." But to Whitehall insiders they were more appropriately dubbed "Buda" and "Pest."

Mr Chips cashes in

ROGER ELLIS, the Master of Marlborough College, has just made the unusual decision to abandon his 34-year career in education and instead take up a senior job in banking.

In April he will take early retirement from Marlborough which he has run for the past 14 years and, at the age of 55, become Graduate Recruitment Manager of Barclays International.

Only two years ago Ellis was chairman of the Headmasters' Conference, the umbrella body for Britain's top 200 public schools. His teaching career began at Harrow in 1952 and he later became head of Rossall.

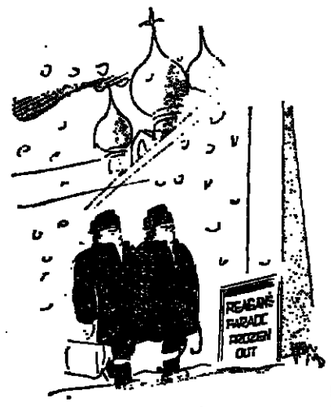
The new job will test Ellis's shrewd eye for spotting talent young. His principal role will be to tour the universities selecting 60 or so exceptional graduate each year to join the bank's training scheme.

Plodding along nicely

UNABASHED by criticism from some educationalists Enid Blyton's publishing company, Darrell Waters, is marking its 35th birthday with a reception at its new offices in St Katherine's Dock tomorrow.

In the past 10 years alone Blyton's sales reached an astonishing 100 million copies, making her the most translated authoress in the history of British publishing after Agatha Christie. Nor will Blyton books be made redundant in the computer age — her stories are currently appearing on software.

Unsurprisingly, Noddy is probably still her most popular character here and abroad. But I am rather disturbed to hear that in France he is called Monsieur Oui-Oui.



"Softies!"

Blushing truth

MY NOTE about the schoolteacher who shocked a supermarket when she said out loud to someone she mistakenly believed to be the parent of one of her pupils: "I'm so sorry I thought you were the father of one of my children" has prompted a reader to tell me of his first day at preparatory school.

As his mother led him nervously into the school hall she suddenly spotted the vicar who had conducted her wedding. "Ah John," she said loudly, "I haven't seen you since the day you married me."

Exit the entrance

DETECTIVES in Grimsby are engaged in a bizarre investigation into the case of a stolen 12ft high colonaded Victorian portico which was quietly removed from a house in the town's Abbey Road last Thursday evening.

The portico, valued at £1,000 and protected by a conservation order, disappeared within two hours. Despite the fact that a party was going on inside the house while the thieves were at work, there were no witnesses.

The police, when first told about the stolen porch, thought it was a motor car. A CID man told me yesterday: "This whole affair is quite extraordinary."

Thin ice

A READER informs me that the following notice was attached to the notice board at a school in Esher, Surrey, last week: "No boy may skate on any water not passed by the headmaster."

PETERBOROUGH

MUMBO-JUMBO ABOUT MONEY

SIR—Lord Bruce-Gardyne suggested (article, Jan. 18) that far from representing a setback to the Government's strategy, the recent rise in interest rates was welcome in any case on grounds of monetary control.

This is presumably intended as some sort of defence against the allegation of Government mismanagement.

Even on this score, however, the defence fails miserably. If higher interest rates were indeed desirable, why did the *Government have to be forced* by a foreign exchange crisis into raising them? For, before the crisis, Ministers has made no secret of their intention to reduce interest rates.

If Lord Bruce-Gardyne is correct in his assertion that higher interest rates were necessary, then we are ruled by a Government which has been playing fast and loose with monetary control!

In fact, far from being necessary, the increase in interest rates was a disaster. How much longer can people attribute mystical significance to the monetary aggregates? We are now asked to believe that the economy is in danger of over-heating because bank lending and the aggregate known as PSL2 are growing fast. But some monetary aggregates have been growing fast, through fair weather and foul, for years. In the dark days of 1980, we were warned that the explosion of £M3 presaged inflation around the corner. Experience has taught otherwise.

It is high time that the mumbo-jumbo of money supply-worship was abandoned. In the most general sense, there is a single criterion by which to judge whether interest rates should be raised. It is this: is the prospective growth of aggregate demand excessive in relation to the growth of supply capacity, such that it threatens an unacceptable increase in inflationary pressure?

Some observers still seem to believe that the main danger facing Britain today is accelerating inflation. They must be living in cloud cuckoo-land. The overwhelming danger facing Britain today is of deficient economic growth, leaving increasing numbers of our people unemployed, dispirited, and ultimately alienated from society. Recent increases in interest rates, and the possibility of more to come, have exacerbated that danger.

They were the result of Government mismanagement of the exchange rate—*first telling the markets* that the Government did not mind how far the pound plunged, then trying to call a halt when the markets took the Government at its word.

But the mismanagement of the pound is only one symptom of the Government's muddled philosophy about markets. On the one hand the Government supposedly believes that markets "get it right"; on the other hand, it is not prepared to accept the consequences. It is particularly interesting in this regard that the Prime Minister is sure that the dollar is too high, and is bound to come down. The corollary of this belief is that the foreign exchange markets have got the dollar profoundly wrong!

This fashionable view that markets can and should be left entirely to their own devices is the Right-wing equivalent of economic determinism. It is responsible for a *paralysis of public action* with regard to both the foreign exchange markets and the problem of unemployment. Beside it, the question of whether the Chancellor "gives away" £1½bn or £2½bn in the Budget pales into insignificance.

ROGER BOOTLE
Richmond, Surrey.

The majority view

SIR—*Having read with much interest* Prof. Richard Rose's article (Jan. 18) on the subject of political party procedures for selection of their parliamentary candidates, it occurred to me that they might increase their membership numbers considerably by allowing all paid up members to have a share in the selection vote.

There should be several names from which to choose, all candidates fully supporting their party's manifesto, naturally, but possibly having different views on such non-political issues as capital punishment, immigration policy, genetic engineering and permissive legislation.

We might then arrive at a truly democratic representation in Parliament of the majority view which, as things stand, is certainly not always the case.

(Mrs) D. KEATLEY
Grayshott, Surrey.

Computers misapplied

From Prof. J. G. FREEMAN

SIR—The Rev. John McGuire (Jan. 18), in extolling the virtues of the computer, instances its uses in word processing, games, indexing and graphics.

He makes no mention of the use for which the computer was originally developed, namely computing! With its ability to handle complicated calculations with great rapidity it has made possible the solution of many mathematical problems which would otherwise have been intractable, such as those concerned with space travel.

Many schools now possess computers, and I fear that some pupils may gain the impression that they are chiefly of use in playing "star wars" and similar games, and that their use in computing which involves precise and logical thought in writing the relevant programs may be neglected.

J. G. FREEMAN
University of Bradford.

Lane openings

SIR—Your report by Mr John Petty concerning motorway construction is, in my opinion, putting the cart before the horse (Jan. 14).

Unpopular as it may be with conservationists, we must realise that the three lane motorway for modern needs is just too small. Planners should be considering four, five and possibly *six lanes.*

At present the morning and evening rush hours on the M1 south of Luton are nose to tail accident traps. Drivers expect motorway travel and standards and what do they get? A second-rate road either dug up or blocked up. So, why not add a lane or two? Now that really would be something for the future.

A. C. JOHNSTON
Rugby.

Testing the test

SIR—The point raised by Mr H. C. S. Webb (Jan. 8) about motorway driving in relation to the driving test raises the question whether the latter is not in need of a revision.

Not only does it not cover motorway driving, driving at night, overtaking, but by and large it has degenerated into a negative High Street obstacle course with the examiner marking down minute infractions on a score card.

A clear round means a pass, whereas a safer more competent and more experienced driver, who is also a good driver on the motorway, often fails on one or two technical points which have no causative relationship to the number and character of contemporary road accidents.

K. E. HILBORNE
Storrington, West Sussex.

Too good to succeed

SIR—Because of the decreasing ability of my customers to pay their accounts, and mine to fund them, I decided to close my small living and enter the job market. So, armed with my blue-chip multi-national training and above average track record, I set about the job search. What a revelation!

Personnel consultants and others who saw my *curriculum vitae* gave strong advice that I should re-vamp it. What I had to do was to tone down past achievements.

It seems that in this country it is perfectly acceptable to choose to specialise in new business development — but not very British at all actually to have succeeded at it. One would have thought that in today's economic climate, the business getter might even command a premium.

The advice received from the consultants and others was valid. Since promoting myself as a less successful employee the positive responses to my applications have increased!

During the job search saga one accumulates many experiences, both amusing and otherwise. I think that having to present oneself as a virtual failure to succeed, really takes the biscuit.

PAUL EVANS
Royton-Eleven-Towns, Salop.

Proud nickname

SIR—Your correspondent Mr A. K. Henderson suggests a new meaning for the word "scab" as Sign of Courage Against Bullies.

It isn't necessary. The British have always had a disconcerting ability to take an insult on the chin, turn it around and adopt it as a banner.

During the Great War, the Kaiser disparagingly referred to Kitchener's "contemptible little army." After the contemptible little army had fought and won, it remembered the remark, and thereafter proudly called itself The Old Contemptibles.

The Desert Rats was one of the most famous nicknames given to an army during the second war, but the insult came from the other side, from Rommel before El Alamein. After the battle, it was adopted by the Eighth Army themselves.

When the miners' strike is over, the costs to the coal industry, the country and the economy can be assessed. While we all know who is responsible for causing the damage, lets not forget that it is the scabs who are continuing to keep the wheels of the coal industry turning, and who are helping to offset the costs of the strike.

It will be the scabs who must receive the recognition for saving the industry at the end of the day. Perhaps they will choose to adopt their title as a proud nickname.

NIGEL C. B. PRINGLE
Elstead, Surrey.

Less than sensible

SIR—Mr Anthony Lejeune may like to have another excruciating example of "Bad Language" to add to his collection (Jan. 12).

I have several times come across the following "A lesser amount of people were present than last year."!

V. J. VICKERS
Bromstead, Shropshire.

Manly pursuit

SIR—I cannot allow Mr A. K. Taylor to get away with his ridiculous statement that the fox "kills for fun" (Jan. 12). No living animal—except man—kills either for "fun" or for "sport."

HARRY SQUIBBS
East Horsley, Surrey.

Britain unready for winter—as usual

SIR—Pardon my smile, but it was impossible not to be amused at the "shock horror" headline "Britain gripped by Arctic freeze" (report Jan. 15).

Dear me! Snow does fall in winter, although admittedly not so often in Britain as elsewhere. Nevertheless, the north of England and most of Scotland can expect snow and cold conditions in winter. The problem is the lack of preparations. All the ordinary motorist has to do is to ensure that his/her battery is in good condition and that snow chains are carried in the boot. Better still, fit winter-tread tyres, preferably with studs (the only remedy against black ice), when the weather shows signs of worsening.

In this area of France farm tractors with snow-blades attached stand by in winter to clear roads. Most motorists are prepared with the elementary precautions against winter conditions. Surely local councils could pay a small retainer to farmers and haulage contractors to stand by to clear roads. A set of winter tyres, fitted for convenience on second-hand rims (from scrapyards), does not cost too much and will last several seasons. A set of simple, easy-to-fit chains can be had for comparatively little money, and could well save a great deal of expense and loss of use of a car which has been "modified" against a tree after a skid on snow or black ice.

Here, since Jan. 1, we have had some two or three feet of snow, coupled with temperatures of −20 deg. C. Nevertheless traffic continues to flow. The main problem has been getting vehicles to start, owing to the semi-congealing of oil in the sumps, making the efforts of the best-maintained batteries and starter motors vain. Even then, if you have the good fortune to live on a slope, the car can be bump-started. If not, fill the sump with lighter oil, and help one another to push or use jump-leads.

J. A. NICHOLLS
Divonne-les-Bains, France.

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Teachers accept idea of checks on performance

By JOHN IZBICKI Education Correspondent

SIR Keith Joseph, Education Secretary, and the National Union of Teachers made peace yesterday and agreed that the assessment of teachers' classroom performance and standards deserved closer examination.

Until now the NUT and Sir Keith had been at loggerheads over his suggestion that teachers should undergo regular appraisal, and that if unions and local authorities did not introduce it he would do so by legislation.

The NUT was also angry at Sir Keith's original suggestion that assessments should be linked to pay, with the best teachers having their salaries and promotion prospects raised.

When Mr Doug McAvoy, deputy general secretary of the 235,000 - member union, and other NUT representatives met Sir Keith yesterday, pay did not even enter the discussion. Mr McAvoy agreed to further exploration of assessments, and said the union agreed in principle with a scheme of appraisal.

Sir Keith agreed to contact other teacher associations and local authorities to have "talks about talks."

Dispel myth

Both sides said there had been "considerable agreement" and Mr McAvoy said later: "We are pleased Sir Keith has a broader view of assessment. Our talks should dispel the public myth that the NUT is opposed to any form of teacher appraisal."

Just to re-emphasise that Sir Keith has abandoned any ideas for "payments by result" for teachers, he will make it clear tonight that he is open to alternative arguments.

Open to argument

In an interview on Radio 4 with Prof. Ted Wragg, head of Exeter University's School of Education, Sir Keith will admit that the idea to reward good teachers was just "an option."

In a pre-recorded interview for the programme "Crisis in Education" Sir Keith says: "It may well be that a system detached from pay might make sense. I am open to argument about that."

His statement represents a "U-turn" on assessments as he originally saw them. But he still insists that teacher appraisal must be "formalised so that people know where they are."

Grade A O-level for Antonia, aged nine

Ten-year-old mathematics genius Antonia Barnes and her brother Nicholas, 6, "who is very bright but not yet up to Antonia's standard."

By JOHN IZBICKI Education Correspondent

ANTONIA BARNES has just been told the result of the O-level mathematics examination which she took at the age of nine—a Grade A pass.

Antonia, who is now 10, of Great Barr, Birmingham, was already racing through jigsaw puzzles at 18 months and could read before she could walk. At the age of four, she was assessed as having an IQ of 160-plus, a genius rating.

She sat her O-level examination at the same age as Ruth Lawrence, the mathematics genius who gained top marks in Mods at Oxford University at the age of 12.

Bored at school

Yesterday her mother, Mrs Angela Barnes admitted that she had given Antonia a little coaching. A former maths teacher who is now an examiner for the Joint Matriculation Board, Mrs Barnes said: "Antonia was very naughty when she was a toddler — until we realised that it wasn't naughtiness but boredom. She needed to be stimulated."

When she was sent to State primary school she became frustrated and bored. So she was sent to Hydesville Tower School, an independent school at Walsall which admits children from the age of 3½ to 18.

"There she was stretched and encouraged but never pushed by the headmaster, Mr David Farrell. She is in a class with boys and girls of 12-plus but is completely at home there," her mother said.

Mr Derek Barnes, 38, her father, is a lecturer in vision science at Aston University. He said he had not thought of sending Antonia to university at 12 like Ruth Lawrence.

"Universities are places where more is done than just studying. But we shall have to see.

"It might be harmful to stop her going to university early if she is ready for it. If she goes through school at her present rate, she could be ready by 16," he said.

Antonia's brother Nicholas, aged six, is also at Hydesville Tower and, according to Mr Farrell, is "very bright but not yet up to Antonia's standard." Sophie, aged three, youngest in this remarkable family, appears not to be too far behind.

Former LSE chief in polytechnic inquiry

PROFESSOR RALF DAHRENDORF, the German-born former director of the London School of Economics, is to help investigate the running of North London Polytechnic, which has been disrupted for 10 months by protests against Mr Patrick Harrington, a National Front activist.

Joining Prof. Dahrendorf on the independent inquiry is Mr Clive Jenkins, general secretary of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs.

Both have been appointed to the board of inquiry which is to be chaired by Miss Sheila Browne, Principal of Newnham College, Cambridge, and former chief of the schools Inspectorate.

Mr Lincoln Crawford, a barrister and member of the Commission for Racial Equality, is to act as special advisor to the board.

The board was chosen by the Inner London Education Authority, which has been irritated by constant disruptions of the polytechnic. Dr David MacDowall, its director, took early retirement at the age of 54 rather than betray his beliefs in academic freedom.

The authority then brought in Dr John Beishan, director of the South Bank Polytechnic, to restore order. Already, 20 students have had to face 25 disciplinary charges.

The cause of all the trouble by both students and staff has been the presence of Mr Harrington, 20, a philosophy student who is an organiser for the National Front.

Mr Harrington, who is being taught along with 20 other philosphy students at a converted Victorian terraced house not far from the poly's main building in Holloway, faced student opposition on Friday by entering the Holloway Road site canteen.

His lunch was accompanied by chants of "Nazi pig" and "We want you dead, Harrington" from students, many of them from overseas.

PEACE PROTEST STUDENT JAILED

The vice-president of the Students' Union at the University of East Anglia near Norwich, Mr Shantum Seth, 28, was jailed for a week yesterday for non-payment of a £30 fine following a peace protest.

There were demonstrations at the university as he left to go to Norwich Prison. Mr Seth, a development studies graduate, was convicted of obstruction after a four-day anti-nuclear protest at the American base at Upper Heyford, near Banbury, Oxfordshire, in June, 1983.

'Folk hero' Hunt to leave Falklands

Sir Rex Hunt: Falklands folk hero.

By DAVID ADAMSON Diplomatic Correspondent

SIR REX HUNT, Governor of the Falkland Islands at the time of the Argentine invasion and now their Civil Commissioner, is to retire in September.

He will be replaced by Mr Gordon Jewkes, 55, British Consul-General in Chicago. Mr Jewkes's Foreign Office background is largely in commerce and finance, and he goes to the Falklands with the personal blessing of Mrs Thatcher, who interviewed him before his appointment.

Sir Rex, 58, has the status of a folk hero in the islands, where there was an outcry last year when the rumour reached Port Stanley that the Foreign Office wanted to retire him.

He was reprieved until September, which gave him time to steer the new constitution through the islands' Legislative Council. It was largely the islanders' concern that their right to veto a change in sovereignty might be eroded that led to the demand for him to stay on.

Forfeited chance

By the time he leaves, Sir Rex will have spent five-and-a-half years in the Falklands, a long time by the standards of the Foreign Office, who would have liked to replace him last year with someone less closely identified with the islanders' views on sovereignty.

If he had had his way, he would have stayed on until he reached the normal retiring age of 60 next year. As it is, by staying on for extra time he has forfeited the chance of another posting before retirement.

Foreign Office officials explained yesterday that the short span of time between Sir Rex leaving in September and his 60th birthday the following June meant it would not be possible to offer him anything "substantive" in the way of a posting. He will retire on full pension when he returns to Britain.

Sir Rex has spent much of his career in Africa and the Far East. He was a district commissioner in Uganda for 12 years before moving in 1964 to Malaysia. He was Deputy High Commissioner in Kuala Lumpur before becoming Governor of the Falkland Islands in 1980.

Mr Jewkes, who began his career as a civil servant in the Inland Revenue, joined the Diplomatic Service in 1968.

He has held his current appointment since 1980. He was Consul (Commercial) in Chicago in 1969 before being posted to Trinidad as Deputy High Commissioner for three years.

Concern about use of airport

By NICHOLAS COMFORT Political Staff

THE £359 million airport nearing completion in the Falklands will have no facilities for civilian flights though the Government has insisted it will have a civil as well as a military function.

The Falklands' only scheduled air service was to Argentina, and ceased when they were invaded in 1982.

So the Mount Pleasant airport due to open in May offers the sole opportunity for flights out by islanders and the development of tourist traffic.

But the Ministry of Defence is understood to have refused consistently to discuss with the Falkland Islands Government or with the colony's Development Corporation the provision of terminal, handling or other facilities for civilian flights.

As things stand, the position when the airport opens will remain that while there are seats on board RAF planes for a limited number of civilians, there will be no civilian flights.

When such flights do eventually begin, they are likely to operate under stringent conditions imposed by the Ministry of Defence, whose first priority is prevention of further attacks by Argentine forces.

ANIMAL WELFARE 'BOMB' CHARGE

Two members of an animal welfare group were remanded in custody until Jan 28 at Highgate magistrates court yesterday accused of having petrol bombs outside the headquarters of the McDonalds Hamburger chain in High Road, East Finchley.

Stephen Burrow, 19, unemployed, of Coniston Way, Holloway, and Paul Kennedy, 18, unemployed, of Campsbourne Parade, Hornsey, were charged with carrying a sledgehammer and two milk bottles containing rags and noxious liquid, intending to use them to destroy property.

A Ford Transit van crushed between two heavy lorries—three of the 30 vehicles in yesterday's M1 pile-up.

Driver killed in M1 multiple pile-up

By GUY RAIS

A WOMAN driver died and 10 people were injured when thick, drifting smoke from a lorry which caught fire on the hard shoulder of the M1 caused a multiple pile-up on the southbound carriageway near Crick, Northants, yesterday.

Police said many of the 27 vehicles involved had been travelling too fast.

"It was the same old story," said Supt John Dunkley, head of the police traffic division. "Drivers travelling too fast and too close on the motorway, failing to keep their speeds down in the prevailing conditions. It is a miracle many more were not killed."

The dead motorist was later named as Miss Elaine Kenney, 19, of Naseby Road, Rugby.

Heavy rain

There were a series of crashes in heavy rain within half a mile of the motorway, and the southbound carriageway was closed for several hours as workmen and firemen with hydraulic equipment fought to cut people from wrecked cars and lorries.

The vehicles, some of them badly crushed, formed a concertina along two lanes of the motorway and the hard shoulder, and officers used giant air bags to lift overturned vehicles, many of which had passengers trapped inside.

FIVE AREAS WIN FUEL BILL AID

FIVE areas of "exceptional cold" where people on supplementary benefit will be entitled to financial help with swollen fuel bills were announced yesterday.

The Health and Social Security Department said the areas are covered by weather stations at Heathrow, Birmingham, Plymouth, Bournemouth and Aberporth, Dyfed.

Some of the stations cover very wide areas. Heathrow, for example, covers an area running from Oxford to Brighton and extending to Kent and parts of Essex.

The DHSS does not lay down the amounts payable towards the cost of extra fuel. The amount depends on how much colder it is than normal in a local area and for how long the cold spell lasts.

CLIMBING TAUGHT TO PRISONERS

By T. A. SANDROCK Crime Correspondent

YOUNG prisoners at a youth custody centre in Buckinghamshire are being given climbing training and some of the staff three are not happy about it.

They complain that the training would in fact be instructing prisoners in the subtle art of climbing walls.

An artificial rock face has been made from four fibre-glass fish ponds underside outwards and set up to represent a rock face feature.

It has been described as the "craziest facility" to make available to prisoners. The centre at Grendon, near Aylesbury, holds 48 prisoners, aged 17-21.

Tight restrictions

Staff have also complained that the estimated cost of erecting the fake rock wall was about £2,000 spent at a time when the prison service is operating under tight financial budgetary restrictions.

The Home Office said yesterday the rock climbing was part of the training to instil self confidence and self discipline in youngsters.

"Many of them take part or train for Duke of Edinburgh award schemes and Outward Bound courses.

'Two-year wait' to sell gas blast flats

By R. BARRY O'BRIEN

OWNERS of flats wrecked in the Putney gas explosion who want to move to new homes may have to wait for reinstatement of the property instead of receiving the cash value of their leases from the insurers.

This could mean a two-year wait while Newnham House, Putney Hill, wrecked in the blast on Jan. 10, is being rebuilt.

But the British Insurance Association said flat owners would receive 10 per cent. of the insured value of both flats and contents in cash to pay for temporary accommodation during rebuilding.

This would be in addition to the full payments due for the losses.

The prospect of a two-year delay has dismayed Mr and Mrs Michael Ashcroft who survived with their three - year - old daughter Charlotte whe ntheir flat was wrecked.

They ha dbeen on the point of selling and moving to a new home, but have now been made homeless by the blast and have since been living in an hotel in Croydon.

Other owners of flats in the block have also had to move to hotels.

Extent of damage

The building, owned by Swal-Phoenix Assurance.
low Securities, is insured by

Insurance sources said last night that policies covering buildings usually provided for reinstatement of the property, but gave companies the alternative of making a cash payment for the loss.

The question of whether to make a cash payment or reinstate the property was usually decided by the extent of the damage. If the property could be repaired, companies usually preferred to reinstate it, but the practice was to give cash payments when the property was destroyed.

"If a property is insured for £50,000 and can be repaired for £20,000 then the insurers will want to repair it, but if it is destroyed they will prefer to pay the £50,000 rather than perhaps spend £60,000 on rebuilding it," a source said.

Loss adjustors are now assessing damage to the flats.

40 DUCKS KILLED

Hunters have killed 40 hand-reared ducks on a pond in Tibenham, Norfolk, despite the cold-weather ban on wildfowl hunting. Police are investigating.

IF THIS PALE ROSE OFFEND . . .

By HARVEY LEE Arts Staff

A LEADING London concert promoter whose romantic gesture to St Valentine's Day is to hand a rose to each lady in the audience, has unwittingly grasped the nettle of feminist outrage.

Mrs Valerie Wise, chairman of the GLC women's committee, has tabled a question about Mr Raymond Gubbay's proposed floral tribute to the females who attend the Valentine's Day Love Classics concert he is promoting on Feb. 14 at the council-run Royal Festival Hall.

She will ask Mr Peter Pitt, arts committee chairman, at today's full council meeting: "Whether (the roses) represent a cutting comment on the difficulty this council's women's committee face in their work to combat sexism, racism and heterosexism in our society?"

Taking a leaf, at least from Robert Browning, Mrs Wise seemed to be referring to the "subtler meanings of what roses say."

Just a gesture

She will also ask "Whether it would be possible at this late stage to include a few sprigs of jasmine (the national flower of Pakistan), hibiscus (national flower of India and Jamaica), daffodils, shamrocks, thistles and at least make sure that some men have a leek?"

Mr Gubbay, who has already ordered dozens of roses for the concert, said last night "I find all this somewhat astonishing. It was just meant to be a gesture to make the evening more romantic. Any thought of racism and sexism was a milion miles from my mind.

"The offer has certainly created an unusual amount of interest at the box office."

The concert's "love classics" include the fantasy-overture to Tchaikovsky's "Romeo and Juliet," the "Sleeping Beauty Waltz" and preludes from Bizet's "Carmen," played by London Concert Orchestra.

**The headline is taken from lines of William Somerville (1675-1742), on "Presenting to a Lady a White Rose and a Red on the Tenth of June":

If this pale rose offend your sight,
It in your bosom wear,
'Twill blush to find itself less white,
And turn Lancastrian there.

REFEREE DEAD IN 'BLOODY SUNDAY'

By Our Athens Correspondent

A referee was killed and tens of people were injured in what is described as the "bloodiest Sunday" of Greek sports. Thirteen people were in hospital and six had been charged with assaulting police and with vandalism, police said yesterday. Three soccer games and one of basketball were involved.

Kostas Atesis, 51, who refereed a game in the Athens amateur league, died in hospital of brain haemorrhage after the back of his head hit the ground when he was pushed over. He had disallowed a last-minute goal that would have been a decider.

George Papadopoulos, 19, who scored the goal, is in custody. He is said to have pushed Atesis to the ground after being ordered off for bad language.

FALL IN BARREL KILLS STUNTMAN

By Our Staff Correspondent in New York

A Czech-born Canadian stuntman was killed before 35,000 spectators in the Houston Astrodome at the weekend when he dropped 180ft from the top of the covered stadium in a barrel. It hit the rim of a tank of water in to which it was supposed to fall.

Karel Soucek, 37, was apparently crushed inside the specially designed barrel. He died of injuries to head, chest and abdomen. The accident occurred at a Thrill Show and Destruction Derby, a bizarre evening of stunts that attracts a family audience.

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Buyers pause for breath

ACCOUNT: January 14-January 25.
PAY DAY: February 4.
BARGAINS TRANSACTED: 23,561.
RISES: 567. **FALLS:** 281.
UNCHANGED: 922.
EQUITY TURNOVER (January 18):
Number of bargains 25,279;
value £437·91 million.
Shares traded: 244·9 million.

F.T. STOCK INDICES, January 21, 1985

	Index	Change	1984-85 High	1984-85 Low
Indust. Ord.	1003·9	−0·5	1004·4	755·3
Govt. Secs.	80·20	+0·14	83·77	75·72
Gold Mines	463·7	−2·6	711·7	445·3
Fixed Int.	84·14	+0·16	87·48	80·43
Ord. Div. p.c.	4·32	−0·01	5·39	4·23
Earn Yld p.c.	10·80	−0·03	12·39	9·00
FT-SE 100:	1279·0	+1·1	1279·0	966·7

FOLLOWING Friday's impressive breakthrough of the 1,000-level in the "30" index, many stock market men were anticipating a mood of anti-climax when dealings resumed yesterday. To some extent, they were proved correct, although a minor reaction in some of the leaders seemed due more to buyers taking a breather rather than any real selling pressure.

Some professional operators, mindful that the market was in the second leg of the trading account, were taking short-term profits, but the overall picture was still quite good and there were numerous bright features on takeover hopes and other special factors.

At the end of the session, dealers described the day's performance as "very satisfactory in the circumstances" and the optimists were suggesting that the irregularity in the blue chips was a typical corrective movement in a classic bull market.

The "30" index, having been 1·8 higher at 10 a.m. and 2·5 down at 3 p.m., was finally 0·5 easier at 1003·9, while the "100" index closed 1·1 up at a record of 1279.

The further rally in sterling prompted firmer conditions in government securities, but business remained at a fairly low level; one interesting development was the exhaustion of official supplies of the tap on **Index-linked Treasury 2½ p.c., 2011**. The final tone was steady to firm and the printed lists showed numerous gains of up to £¾, with the expired index-linked tap £½ better at £98¾.

Early news of the £54·6 million rights issue brought a modest decline in **Bunzl** to 446p, but buyers quickly appeared on the scene and the shares advanced strongly to close at 483p, a gain of 35p. Another early feature concerned first-time dealings in the newcomer, **Whitworths Food Group**. Keen interest in the shares was reflected in initial strength at 140p, against the placing price of 95p, and the final quote was 131p.

Vague takeover speculation was again reported in **Lucas Industries**, which gained 7 to 265p, while another blue chip to meet speculative interest was **Courtaulds**, 3 better at 149p, after 152p, on suggestions that Hanson Trust could be building up a stake in the company. United States earnings prospects continued to support **Jaguar**, which closed 4 better at 302p, after a high of 303p.

After their recent good run on the proposed merger with Sterling Guarantee, **P & O Dfd** met profit-taking and reacted to 401p before closing 13 down at 403p; Sterling Guarantee, **P & O Dfd** met profit-**Booker McConnell** gained 7 to 258p ahead of the Monopolies Commission report on the Dee Corporation takeover offer, expected within the next few days.

A sudden flurry in **Christies International**, 26 higher at 486p, inevitably aroused new takeover speculation. Bid hopes were also responsible for gains in **U K O International**, at 115p, **W W Group**, at 228p, **F H Lloyd**, at 44p, and **Stead & Simpson**, at 172p.

In paper and printing, buyers favoured **Bowater Industries**, 6 up at 237p, and **Reed International**, 14 higher at 572p. **Associated Newspaper** jumped to 695p on favourable comment, but then reacted to 660p, only 5p better.

Fleet Holdings ended 19 up at 261p, after 266p, on hopes of an offer from United Newspapers (see TAILPIECE), while other old bid favourites to attract interest were **D R G**, at 168p, and **Metal Closures**, at 158p.

American support was again forthcoming for **Glaxo**, which advanced £½ to £12¼, a record. **Imperial Group** kept firm at 205p, but **Imperial Chemical Industries** shaded to 784p and **British Telecom** to 132½p.

Pending further developments in the **B T R** bid situation, **Dunlop** improved to 38½p before closing unchanged at 36p. **B T R** ended 5 easier at 677p, after 674p. QUESTOR comment enlivened interest in **Holt Lloyd**, 6 up at 84p, and **Adwest**, 8 higher at 162p, after 166p, while other bright spots included **Body Shop**, 30 better at 555p, and **Hawley Group**, 6 to the good at 94p, after 98p.

The listing for **Glanfield Lawrence** was restored and the shares improved from an opening level of 49p to 51p. **Stakis** were firmer at 187p after news of the two-for-one scrip issue.

Speculators came for **United Ceramics**, which ended 12 up at 55p, while **Nimslo**, the camera group, were also wanted at 25½p. Stock shortage accentuated strength in **Cookson Group**, 25 higher at 510p, and **Burns Anderson**, 6½ better at 50p. **Renishaw** were again wanted at 388p, up another 12p.

British Aerospace attracted support in late dealings and closed 12 higher at 360p, while **Electronic Machine** ended 6 better at 50p. On the other hand, **Acorn Computers** suffered another bear raid on worries about computer sales and the shares ended 8 down at 45p. **Racal**, whose figures are expected to be announced early tomorrow morning, were 4 easier at 284p.

New demand in a thin market left **Vosper** 15 up at 196p, while **Metal Box** rose 6 to 392p. **Brammer** 17 to 315p, after 320p, and **Hampson Industries** 1½ to 23p, the last-named ahead of today's interim report. News of the Suter stake sale upset the market in **J Neill Holdings** and the price reacted 19 to 135p.

Leading bank shares were steady to firm, with **Midland** 7 higher at 350p after the Crocker agreement. **Barclays** improved to 588p, **Lloyds** to 530p, and **National Westminster** to 608p.

Elsewhere in financials, **Britannia Arrow** were fairly active on takeover hopes, but new demand was matched by profit-taking, hence an unchanged share price of 110p.

Stores were mainly easier in the absence of follow-through demand, but there was no pressure on the sector. Scattered firm features included **Goldsmiths**, at 210p, and **W H Smith**, at 218p, both 12p higher. **Stylo** ended 3 firmer at 168p, after 170p, on continued suggestions about a possible offer from British Land.

After a generally quiet session during normal dealing hours, leading oil shares met solid support, both on American and local account, in late business and prices responded with alacrity.

Britoil jumped 15 to 215p, **"Shell"** 10 to 695p, and **British Petroleum** 7 to 495p; market experts were suggesting that with the crude oil price situation apparently settling down, the market could show further strength from its currently oversold position. **Premier Consolidated** were ex rights at 46p, the new being 8½p premium.

Tailpiece

RENEWED takeover speculation in the paper and printing sector has been fired by Robert Maxwell's £30·6 million sale of his stake in Fleet Holdings to United Newspapers and, although market men have doubts about early moves by United Newspapers to mount a full-scale offer for Fleet Holdings, they are quite convinced that Mr Maxwell will shortly launch a bid for the mail-order group, **Empire Stores**, now priced at 106p.

Trade sources claim that the acquisition of Empire Stores makes a good deal of business sense for Robert Maxwell's private publishing group, Pergamon Press, and that the money from the Fleet Holdings sale would largely pay for Empire; this company is capitalised at just under £35 million.

TOBACCOS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
368	175	BAT Inds.	365	+1
85	54½	Carroll Inds.	85	..
205	137	Imps	205	+1
192	112	Rothmans	191	−1

RIGHTS ISSUES

Issue Price	Stock	Price
484	Carlton Communications (nil pd)	165 pm ..
178	Westpac (nil pd)	65 pm ..

RECENT ISSUES

Issue Price	Stock	Price	+ or −
160	Access Satellite	192	..
140	Aida Holdings	162	..
10¼	Bennett Fountain	15	..
150	Br. Telecom (sp pd)	132½	−½
150	CVD International	162	+2
100	Candover	308	..
115	Cruttenden&KnightG	170	−3
—	EurotravelBank (sp pd)	30	..
£93½	Exch 10¼% 'A' (F P)	190⅝	+¼
£151	Exch. 10% 2005 (40pd)	£40⅛	..
170	Firstland Oil	120	..
78	Gabicci	85	..
28	Healthcare Services	26	..
—	Inds. Scotland Ent	150	..
—	Johnson Mt 8% CPref	150	+5
—	Kingsley & Forster	99½	+3
—	Monument Oil	25	−1
58	Optometric	65	−1
140	PSM Int.	190	..
150	Penny & Giles Intl.	165	−2
92	Process Systems	90	..
—	Racal 7¾ conv.	127	..
20	Rex Williams	21½	+½
68	Spatax TV	94	..
162	Wardle Storeys	231	..
95	Whitworth Food Gp.	131	..

TOURIST RATES

Country	Rate
Australia	1·374 dollars
Austria	24·50 schillings
Belgium	70·00 francs
Canada	1·481 dollars
Denmark	12·65 kroner
Finland	7·46 markkaa
France	10·76 francs
Germany	3·50 marks
Greece	*153·00 drachmae
Holland	3·96 guilders
Iceland	*46·00 kronur
Ireland	1·141 punt
Israel	750·00 shekel
Italy	*2,175 lire
Japan	285 yen
Malta	*0·5980 pounds
New Zealand	2·30 dollars
Norway	10·26 kroner
Portugal	*169·00 escudes
South Africa	*2·85 rand
Spain	*194·50 pesetas
Sweden	10·17 kronor
Switzerland	2·93 francs
Turkey	510·00 lira
United States	1·1200 dollars
Yugoslavia	*278·00 dinars

Rates indicate approximate foreign currency bank notes obtainable for sterling in Britain.
* Subject to limit.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

		Close	Day's range	Contracts traded	High-Low
Long Gilt	Mar	104·26	105·03–104·28	1543	111·13–104·08
	June	104·22	104·22–104·22	18	106·19–104·05
US T-bond	Mar	71·13	71·14–71·09	286	72·24–59·23
	June	—	—	—	70·24–69·24
3 month £	Mar	88·70	88·88–88·65	673	90·54–88·19
	June	89·06	89·10–89·03	253	90·13–88·55
3 month Euro-dollar	Mar	91·16	91·17–91·12	1615	91·17–88·05
	June	90·48	90·49–90·45	473	90·49–89·83
Sterling	Mar	1·1205	1·1725–1·1175	26	1·2770–1·1026
	June	1·1145	1·1159–1·1131	212	1·1438–1·1010
D-mark	Mar	0·3165	0·3169–0·3163	19	0·3437–0·3147
	June	—	—	—	—
Swiss Franc	Mar	0·3764	0·3765–0·3764	1	0·4018–0·3748
	June	—	—	—	—
Yen	Mar	—	—	—	0·4109–0·3950
	June	—	—	—	—
FT-SE 100	Mar	127·90	128·45–127·10	329	128·45–112·00
	Jun	—	—	—	125·90–120·40

Contracts specifications include:
Long-Gilt—notional 20 year stock with 12 pc coupon and face value of £50,000.
US T-bond—notional 15 year stock with 8pc coupon and face value of $100,000.
3 month sterling, eurodollars—£250,000, US$ 1 million with cash settlement option.
Currencies are quoted against the dollar with face values of £25,000, Dm 125,000, swf. 125,000 and Yen 12,500,000.
FT-SE 100 quoted one-tenth the index with face value of £25 per index point.
Settlement cash only.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

Option	Exercise Price	CALLS JAN.	CALLS APR.	CALLS JULY	PUTS JAN.	PUTS APR.	PUTS JULY
BP	460	32	43	50	1	12	17
BP	500	4	25	30	17	30	38
Comm. Union	180	24	31	33	1	7	11
Comm. Union	200	5	21	25½	4	13	19
Cons. Gold	460	37	60	70	2	10	16
Cons. Gold	500	4	35	45	20	34	37
Courtaulds	130	21	25	27	½	3	6
Courtaulds	140	11	18	22	1½	5	8
GEC	200	12	24	32	1	5	8
GEC	220	2	12	18	11	15	18
Grand Met.	300	4	18	28	5	20	25
Grand Met.	330	1	6	15	35	42	47
ICI	700	86	100	104	1½	3	10
ICI	750	36	56	68	5	16	24
Land Securities	280	13	25	30	1	5	8
Land Securities	300	1	13	21	10	18	21
Marks&Spencer	120	7	12	15	1	5	8
Marks&Spencer	130	1½	7	10	6	9	13
Shell	650	40	58	68	2	18	24
Shell	700	4	26	31	30	38	45
Traf. House	330	50	57	61	1	5	9
Traf. House	360	20	29	35	2	8	14

Option	Exercise Price	CALLS FEB.	CALLS MAY	CALLS AUG.	PUTS FEB.	PUTS MAY	PUTS AUG.
Exchequer 10pc 1989	£96	1	1½	1	1⅝	2	2⅛
Exchequer 10pc 1989	£98	⅛	⅛	1	3	2½	3¼
Barclays	550	45	55	65	7	14	22
Barclays	600	18	27	40	24	37	42
BAT Inds	330	37	43	63	4	10	16
BAT Inds	360	12	25	33	15	23	30
British Telecom	120	15½	21	31	1	4	5½
British Telecom	130	9	14½	18	4	7	10
Imperial Grp	180	28	31	36	2	5	8
Imperial Grp	200	14	20	26	7	12	16
LASMO	330	35	50	60	10	15	23
LASMO	360	13	33	42	23	30	37
Lonrho	160	14	19	21	5	8	9
Lonrho	180	5	8	11	14	17	19
P & O	390	30	46	55	8	20	28
P & O	420	14	30	38	22	35	42
Racal	260	30	38	45	3	7	9
Racal	280	16	24	32	12	16	20
RTZ	600	52	70	80	8	20	28
RTZ	650	20	37	48	27	42	50
Vaal Reef	£60	6½	11	14	3	8½	12
Vaal Reef	£90	3	7	10½	10	15	18

Option	Exercise Price	CALLS MAR.	CALLS JUNE	CALLS SEPT.	PUTS MAR.	PUTS JUNE	PUTS SEPT.
Beecham	360	58	47	52	5	10	17
Beecham	390	12	23	32	22	26	36
Bass	460	52	76	85	4	8	12
Bass	500	30	42	52	15	22	27
De Beers	390c	55	67	68	27	40	43
De Beers	420c	22	38	47	46	60	78
GKN	180	34	39	45	3	4	5
GKN	200	19	25	31	8	9	12
Hanson Tst	330	28	35	42	8	13	18
Hanson Tst	360	13	19	24	20	27	35
Jaguar	260	48	51	55	5	5	9
Jaguar	280	30	38	43	5	7	14
Tesco	220	18	23	28	5	9	11
Tesco	230	7	13	17	13	16	18
FT-SE 100	1200	88	98	110	13	27	38
FT-SE 100	1250	52	62	85	30	44	63

TOTAL CONTRACTS: 15,808

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Smith Bros tidies up Scott deal

JOBBERS Smith Brothers are to issue another tranche of shares to N. M. Rothschild as part of a "tidying up" operation following last month's announcement that Smith intends to take an initial 5 p.c. interest in broker Scott Goff Layton.

The deal, which like most parts of the Rothschild/Smith/Scott Goff package is largely dependent on pending changes in Stock Exchange membership rules, will involve the jobbers issuing 3·3m new shares to buy the 49 p.c. of the joint international dealing company formed last year from Rothschild.

That would result in Rothschild holding a 24 p.c. stake in Smith plus convertible loan stock which would ultimately entitle Rothschild to a total 34·6 p.c. of Smith.

The arrangement with Scott Goff has also resulted in a "review" of plans for Smith to trade in United States securities through a joint company with Rothschild. This may now be done through a direct arrangement with the broker.

Evode lower

EVODE Group reports pre-tax profits of £2·31m for the year ended September 29 compared with £2·53m on a turnover up from £48·1m to £52·3m. Benefits of various rationalisation moves are now coming through and new acquisitions are expected to make a good profit contribution in the current financial year.

The final dividend rises from 1·728p to 1·8872p a share, making 2·803p (2·639p) payable April 3.

Questor—P16

Commercial Property—P18

Winterbottom stake

NEW York-based Mutual Shares Corporation has picked up an 18·9 p.c. share stake in Winterbottom Energy Trust following a market purchase of 2·4m shares. A spokesman for Mutual Shares said last night that it was the fund's policy to invest in undervalued shares.

Questor—P16

Gold improves

THE London gold price closed 50 cents higher at $307·50 an ounce yesterday after only modest interest from the United States. At one point gold was at $308·25 an ounce reflecting dollar movements.

Tokyo record

SHARE values in both Tokyo and Frankfurt yesterday notched up new highs. In Frankfurt the Commerzbank index of 60 leading West German stocks hit a record for the fourth consecutive trading day, albeit closing 1·5 points up at 1169·4.

In the Far East the Nikkei-Dow Jones average in Tokyo rose 12·48 points to a best-ever 11,261·37, but in Hongkong the Hang Seng Index lost 10·33 points to 1,350.

Chemical link

SHELL and Akzo, the Dutch chemicals company, have reached an agreement to merge their £260m a year consumer products businesses in Europe. Akzo will have a 51 p.c. stake in the new group.

WORLD MARKETS

AMSTERDAM (ANP CBS Gen)	192·00	+ 1·60
BRUSSELS (Stock Index)	1,013·27	+ 9·04
FRANKFURT (Commerzbank)	1,169·40	+ 1·50
HONGKONG (Hang Seng)	1,350·00	−10·33
NEW YORK (Dow Jones)	1,261·37	+34·01
PARIS (CAC General)	190·10	unch
SYDNEY (AR Ord.)	750·70	+ 4·30
TOKYO (Nikkei Dow)	11,964·52	+12·43
ZURICH (Credit Suisse)	334·20	− 0·90

U.S. COMMODITIES

GOLD (Comex): Jan. 307·00 (306·60). Feb 308·40 (307·20). March 310·30 (309·20). April 312·20 (310·20). June 316·60 (315·40). Aug. 325·10 (319·80). Oct. 323·80 (324·00). Dec. 331 (327·80). April 341·70 (340·50). Est. sales 19,000 contracts.

COFFEE: Jan. 61·25 (60·75). March 61·10 (61·30). May 62·00 (61·30). July 63·20 (61·50). Sept. 64·70 (64·10). Dec. 65·15 (64·05). Jan. 65·85 (62·15). March 63·15 (62·40). May 63·40 (62·60). July 63·65 (63·30). Sept. 63·90 (63). Est. sales 11,600 cons. bags.

COCOA: March 2119 (2190). May 2134 (2209). July 2321 (2185). Sept. 2199 (2177). Dec. 2181 (2106). March 2127 (2106). Est. sales 3,776 contracts.

CHICAGO (Wheat): March 349 (350¼). May 348¾ (351¼). July 353 (352¼). Sept. 354¼ (354). Dec. 364¼ (364¼). Corn: March 273 (272¼). May 288 (279¼). July 282¼ (282¼). Sept. 276¾ (276). Dec. 270¼ (269¼). March 288¼ (279¼). May 287¼ (286¼). Oats: March 176¼ (177). May 174¾ (175). July 171¼ (171). Sept. 147 (144¼). Dec. 169¼ (169¼). Soybeans: Jan. 598¼ (590¼). March 603¼ (596). May 620¼ (617¼). July 623¾ (620¼). Aug. 620 (617¼). Sept. 622¼ (618). Nov. 624 (618). Jan. 637¼ (630¼). March 631 (643¼).

FT—ACTUARIES INDICES

Industrial Group	639·26	(+0·38)
"500"	678·72	(+1·77)
All-share	616·65	(+1·69)

Reagan's day fires Wall St to 34 point rise

By JAMES SRODES in Washington

WALL STREET investors welcomed President Reagan into his second term of office with a record smashing rally that sent share prices soaring in heavy trading.

The Dow Jones Average of 30 industrial shares picked up at the start of trading and rose sharply throughout the day without a backward glance at the 1,240-1,250 level that had previously stymied advances.

A build-up of buying orders flooded the market towards the end of the session fuelling the rise on a 146·6 million turnover.

At the close the Dow Jones index stood 34·01 higher at 1261·37—the best day on Wall Street for a year.

The more broadly representative market indices, Standard and Poors 500 and the New York Stock Exchange's Composite index, both reached all-time highs during the day's trading. Tt two p.m. Standard and Poors rose to 175·70, shattering the index's previous high of 172·65 last October.

The burst of share buying capped off two weeks of generally rising stocks that had left the Dow lagging behind other market gauges and investors were encouraged to see interest rvived in the industrials and big capitalisation issues.

President Reagan's inauguration in Washington was the catalyst for the stock surge, investors said. Mr Reagan's call for a total spending freeze this year and his apparent sincerity with regard to cutting the nation's enormous government budget deficit received a round of applause from brokers at the New York Stock Exchange, many of whom were watching the televised Inaugural Address.

Investors were also cheered by the San Francisco 49ers' Superbowl victory over the Miami Dolphins. It is a commonly held wisdom that whenever the National Football Conference team, in this case the 49ers, wins the Superbowl the stock market will rise for the year.

On Sunday the 49ers beat the Miami Dolphins much to investors' relief.

News that market giant General Motors is about to launch an acquisition plan, and that it is considering buying into electronics, banking, financial services and defence to add to its car manufacturing base boosted the company's share prices and helped spur the Dow Index rise.

Continental Illinois Bank and Trust, the Chicago bank that was bailed out by the government last year after nearly collapsing reported better than expected fourth-quarter earnings that also boosted morale at the Stock Exchange.

Continental reported four quarter earnings at $36·6 million against last year's $25·4 million. In spite of the fourth-quarter improvement, the bank registered losses of $1·1 million in 1984, against 1983 profits of $108 million. Most of the last year's loss was related to the government's restructuring plan which was a precondition for the $4·5 million rescue.

Due of the President's inauguration celebrations, all government offices, and many banks were closed. As a result, there was little foreign exchange trading in New York and the United States government bond markets were closed.

In light trading, the dollar dropped slightly in what some dealers said looked to be the corporate selling but there was little direction established due to the holiday pace.

Sterling closed at $1·1280, against $1·1210 on Friday.

Bunzl £56m rights issue lifts shares 40p

By JOHN RUDOFSKY

BUNZL yesterday became the first company to take advantage of a plus-1,000 share index to launch a major rights issue. It also forecast a 55 p.c. profits jump for 1984.

The company is calling on shareholders for an extra £56·7 million gross (£54·6 million after expenses), offering them one new share at 370p each for every four they already own.

Bunzl's existing shares shot up 40p to 483p on the news, an uncharacteristic move since shares usually fall when a rights issue is launched.

"The City has given Bunzl a vote of confidence," declared Tony Pennie of James Capel who, like other observers, believes a major bid is in the offing. "This group has a good record. It has always enhanced earnings with its acquisitions."

Bunzl chairman Ernest Beaumont admitted yesterday: "We have our eyes on a few people." He said now that roughly 70 p.c. of group profits are earned overseas "the accent will be on the U.K".

The stock market has its own thoughts on possible Bunzl targets. The country's biggest ball-bearing distributor Brammer jumped 17p to 515p, valuing the company at £93 million. Metal Closures rose 6p to 158p, making that business worth £33·3 million. Bunzl has declared modest stakes in both.

Bunzl has one or two other strategic but undeclared stakes in British companies but Mr Beaumont was not revealing his hand. Another speculators' favourite, DRG, the former Dickinson Robinson Group, added 4p to 168p, valuing the company at £140 million.

Mr Beaumont confirmed he is not talking at present to any company about a possible takeover.

Bunzl has been expanding its distribution and paper businesses on both sides of the Atlantic, diversifying further away from its original cigarette filter operations.

As a result profits in 1983 jumped 56 p.c. to a record £17·5 million. Now, following a strong interim advance for 1984, Mr Beaumont says the final outcome will have been at least £27 million before tax, a 55 p.c. increase at least.

The board is forecasting a 4·25p final dividend, payable July 1, making the total 7·5p, or 36 p.c. up on the previous total. The profits forecast is slightly higher than City expectations and also helped to strengthen the shares.

UK delays oil price move

By ROLAND GRIBBEN

BRITAIN will continue to play for time before making any decision on a North Sea price cut or switch to a market-related formula, Mr Buchanan-Smith, Energy Minister, said in a Commons answer yesterday.

He confirmed officially for the first time that the Government wants to assess the outcome of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries' meeting in Geneva next week before making any moves.

The spot market continued to point to a fall in North Sea prices yesterday, although demand was buoyed by cold weather in the United States while unofficial figures suggested that Opec's attempt to shore up the market with production cuts might have some impact shortly.

Prices for North Sea Brent crude for delivery next month moved back to $27·25 a barrel, narrowing the differential with the reference base to $1·40. Brent was being traded for March delivery at $26·57-58, a discount of more than $2 on the official $28·65 price.

Two days of talks in Riyadh on how to settle differences about Opec heavy and light oil prices ended yesterday after what was described as a satisfactory meeting.

Sheikh Yamani, Saudi Arabian Oil Minister, and Tam David-West, the Nigerian Minister, were at the talks with OPEC experts. The Nigerian Minister is among those pressing for a rise in heavy oil prices to make it easier to sell surplus light oil.

UK invests £430m abroad

By FRANCES WILLIAMS

BRITAIN'S financial institutions resumed investment in foreign securities on a substantial scale in the third quarter of 1984, though at a lesser rate than during the peak years of overseas investment from 1981 to 1983.

Figures published yesterday by the Central Statistical Office show that non-bank financial institutions bought nearly £430 million of stocks and shares of overseas companies after net disinvestment the previous quarter of £630 million, a turnround of £1,100 million.

The earlier disinvestment may have reflected profit-taking at a time when overseas stock markets were booming and the pound was weak, officials suggested.

The CSO has now revised its estimate of total portfolio investment abroad in the third quarter by all institutions, including banks, to £2·2 billion from £1·4 billion.

This brings the cumulative total for the first nine months of the year to £5·5 billion, against £6·1 billion in 1983 and £6·2 billion in 1982.

But the bulk of overseas portfolio investment last year appears to have been carried out by the banking sector.

Investment in foreign company shares by non-bank financial institutions — pension funds, insurance funds and so on—totalled only £90 million in the first nine months of the year. This compares with £2·7 billion in 1983 and nearly £3 billion in 1982.

A slowdown in overseas portfolio investment has been widely expected. The financial institutions poured money out of the country when exchange controls were abolished in 1979, taking advantage of the high value of the pound to build up their foreign portfolios to desired levels—thought to be around 15 to 20 p.c. of the total.

Pension funds and unit trusts were responsible for most of the overseas investment by non-bank financial institutions in the third quarter last year. Investment trusts continued to run their holdings down while the holdings of insurance funds were little changed.

The renewed foreign investment was mainly at the expense of inflows into bank deposits and British government stock, though purchases of United Kingdom company shares increased.

The £9·2 billion inflow of funds to the non-bank financial institutions was only a little higher than in the second quarter, and the extra was more than accounted for by a £1 billion increase in building society inflows.

BY A REMARKABLE coincidence, Sir Michael Edwardes, the man probably best equipped to lead the National Coal Board when Ian MacGregor bows out, suddenly looks like becoming available at an opportune moment. While Sir Michael has rejected the BTR bid for Dunlop, where he has recently become chairman, the BTR approach has much to commend it from shareholders' point of view. The likelihood is that BTR will gain control of Dunlop, albeit on more generous terms, and that Sir Michael will be free again within a few months.

Meanwhile, yesterday's figures for miners returning to work powerfully suggest that the stoppage will end quite shortly — except for a handful of intransigent pits where the men might conceivably stay out for many more months — though the qualification also has to be made that there are no more public relations gaffes by senior management.

Mr MacGregor's big achievement at the Coal Board was essential but negative — breaking the mould. Until his arrival, management was fundamentally in the business of appeasing the National Union of Mineworkers so as to be allowed to get on with what it saw as its fundamental job — producing coal at any cost. The taxpayer could always be relied upon to carry the losses. There can be no return to that cosy, selfish alliance.

But what is now clear is that Mr. MacGregor has become an isolated figure, a foreign body in an unfriendly culture. When he retires, which Downing Street would wish to see happen shortly after the end of the strike, he will need to be succeeded by somebody who can carry on where he left off.

Sir Michael is more of a manager than an entrepreneur. He displayed an unrivalled tactical sense in handling the British Leyland unions. He knows how to communicate directly and effectively with the workforce. He is that rare combination, an organisation man with character. It is hard to see that the Government could make a better choice.

CITY COMMENT

Edwardes has the form to run Coal Board

Whoever succeeds Mr MacGregor will need unprecedented commitments from the Government. The nex tchairman must be able to recruit and to pay appropriately a new top management. The next chairman must the prospect that the more profitable parts of the coal mining industry can be privatised in due course.

Super Five on the sidelines

THE NEXT STAGE of the war of nerves between the central bankers and the currency speculators was deferred yesterday with most United States banks shut for Inauguration Day. Trading on the foreign exchanges was quiet throughout and there were few movements of any note in the exchange rates.

The pound varied less than ½ cent all day and closed in the middle of its range at $1·1253, up 31 points from Friday's closing levels in London. The dollar also shaded lower against most other currencies, closing at 3·17 marks, down 55 points from Friday.

The Bundesbank sold $13·9 million at the fixing time in Frankfurt, but this was regarded as a routine transaction. There was no sign of any other intervention. But the authorities in the five countries party to last week's meeting in Washington came as close as they could to confirming not only a change in attitude in favour of tactical intervention in the foreign exchange markets but also a willingness to act together.

This is not a fundamental conversion to the merits of intervention. But it is a significant change. The amount of intervention need not necessarily be large. Indeed the five finance ministers last week agreed that there is no point in throwing money away in massive intervention if there are fundamental policy divergencies pulling exchange rates in different directions. But the change of attitude is significant. Like the housemaid's baby, it may be small, but it is still a baby. It must have hurt the finance ministers to admit that they do need to meddle with market forces.

Once the admission has been made, however, there could now be an advantage in being less shy about it. Markets yesterday were reasonably convinced that the Federal Reserve in New York had been selling dollars last Friday after the European markets had closed, and that at least one other central bank had joined them.

The thought was enough to see the dollar marked down again yesterday. But if the authorities genuinely think current market forces have distorted the proper exchange rates, every dollar's worth of action is worth $10 of conviction. Once the point has been clearly made the constant threat will have greater impact.

Happier economics

"THERE is now no clear evidence of a turning point in economic activity in early 1985," the Central Statistical Office conceded yesterday on publication of the latest indicators which track the British business cycle. This admission brings the statistician belatedly into line with the general economic consensus.

The CSO's previous message of gloom, that the recovery would peak in early spring this year, was based on a sharp downturn between March and July 1984 in the longer leading index which signals the likely behaviour of the economy a year or so ahead. It was fairly clear at the time that the CSO's interpretation was unduly pessimistic.

The longer leading index is heavily influenced by the performance of the stock market and by interest rates and business optimism. The miners' strike, and then the first dock strike which coincided with some unease about the Government's financial policies, were directly responsible for rising interest rates, a depressed stock market and dampened business optimism at that time.

Growing confidence that the miners could not win and the ending of dock strikes one and two did precisely the reverse. A booming stock market, falling interest rates and a revival of business optimism lifted the longer leading index, which reached a new peak in December.

The January index may dip slightly as a result of the latest jump in interest rates — though the surge in share prices may act as an offset. But it does look as though the economy is set for at least one more year of steady growth, with most forecasters looking for around 3 p.c. in 1985 (including the bounce back in coal production once the miners' strike comes to an end).

The Treasury, which in November was optimistically predicting 3·5 p.c. overall growth this year, including 1 p.c. in catchup from the strike, has now come closer into line with the 3 p.c. consensus because of the longer-than expected duration of the dispute. But its forecast of 2·5 p.c. underlying economic expansion remains unchanged.

"Wondering about his options . . . ?"

Utd Newspapers £15m agree takeover in U.S.

UNITED Newspapers, which is expected in due course to take a central role in a bid for Fleet Holdings, yesterday announced an agreement, worth up to £15·2 million, to acquire San Francisco-based magazine publisher Miller Freeman Publications.

The initial consideration is cash equivalent to £8·3 million. The rest will be payable, also in cash, over the next five years on a profits-related basis.

United chairman David Stevens confirmed yesterday that this was the purchase foreshadowed last year when United paid out £88·3 million for Link House Publications, although the suggestion at that time was that the unnamed company would cost less than $10 million.

Shares in United slipped at first on the news but closed unchanged at 318p while Fleet, on the continuing bid speculation, rose 19p to 261p.

Midland signs Crocker mop-up

MIDLAND BANK and its 57 p.c. owned Californian subsidiary Crocker National Corporation have signed a definitive arrangement for Midland to increase its common stock ownership in Crocker to 100 p.c.

Shareholders of both companies must also approve the agreement, details of which were announced earlier this month, before it becomes final.

Crocker's public shareholders will receive for each share $27 in stated value of a new Crocker adjustable rate preferred stock.

Hanson sticks to Duffryn offer

LORD HANSON, chairman of Hanson Trust, yesterday made it clear he will not raise his bid terms for Powell Duffryn. "Nothing we have heard from Powell Duffryn persuades us that our existing generous offer does not value the company very fully."

He announced acceptances of his four-for-three share exchange deal at a fraction over 20 p.c. for the Ordinary shares and 61 p.c. of the preference shares.

The group already own 3·7 p.c. of the Ordinary and could buy up to the 15 p.c. level, through the market without triggering the need to provide a cash alternative to the existing all-share terms.

However, the Hanson camp is quietly confident of success given Powell Duffryn's shares are 446p and th ebid is currently worth 464p a share or £102 million, so it has not moved into the market yet.

Powell Duffryn stuck to its guns yesterday. "The offer seriously undervalues the business and has no logic," said a spokesman. "We go on fighting. We will write again to shareholders before the end of the week."

Banks oppose BTR's £33m Dunlop offer

By MICHAEL BECKET

THE 53 creditor banks putting together a rescue package for Dunlop Holdings will oppose B.T.R.'s £33·5 million takeover offer. Discussions are to start soon among the banks, though the leaders have made clear they dislike the terms.

But the small shareholders are having doubts about the financial reconstruction package they have been asked to approve. A meeting has been arranged this afternoon of the three leading members of the small shareholder group and the Dunlop board.

Prof Robert Pritchard, head of the group, had been "almost happy" with the refinancing terms, but following the BTR offer the "proposals are now untenable". In particular, he questions if the banks and institutions should be able to acquire Dunlop shares at 14p when the BTR bid values them at 20p and yesterday the shares closed in the market at 36p.

He wonders whether the whole discussion should return to "square one." BTR is in any case in a position to block the reconstruction through its purchase of just over 25 p.c. of the preference shares. Dunlop yesterday said "it was a pretty shabby device," especially as it in effect disfranchised the Ordinary shareholders.

The company is writing to shareholders this week urging them to back the reconstruction. It is asking for proxy cards to be sent in supporting the board well in advance of the extraordinary general meeting called for on Feb. 8.

The banks have instinctive reservations about the BTR bid because it would entail them converting an even greater amount of the Dunlop short-term debt into shares. British banks went against long-standing instinct in taking equity for the original Dunlop refinancing plan and reluctant to take more.

Dunlop and its financial advisers are now trying to ensure that even if BTR does block the reconstruction the company will not be put into receivership.

Cocoa prices start upswing

AFTER MONTHS in the doldrums cocoa prices are showing a firm trend. Since the start of the year values on the London futures market have risen by well over £200 a tonne.

The May position yesterday rose through the £2,100 a tonne level before closing at £2,095, a rise of £13.

Part of the surge reflects sterling's fall against the dollar but the main reason is continuing manufacturer demand.

Dealers are expecting the upward trend to be maintained but resistance could set in at around £2,500 a tonne.

For the moment the market is ignoring crop forecasts which for the most part estimate that there will be a small surplus in the 1984-85 season.

But adverse weather and shipping problems in West Africa could soon change these projections.

Another factor is next month's talks in Geneva aimed at drawing up a new International Cocoa Agreement to follow the current pact which expires at the end of September.

Producers and consumers last met in October but failed to make headway on target prices.

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COMPANIES

Dowty in £4·5m systems purchase

DOWTY GROUP is adding Steebeck Systems, a data communications manufacturer, to its fast-growing electronics division, in a cash and shares deal worth £4·5m.

An initial £3 million of the consideration, £2·59m cash and the balance in shares, is payable on completion. The remainder is payable in three annual instalments of £500,000 cash.

Brooke Tool

A NEW slimmed-down Brooke Tool Engineering — now restored to a stronger financial position — is resuming dividends with 1p on March 19. The last payment was equal to 0·15p for 1980-1.

Despite the miners' strike the group lifted full-year pre-tax profits from £524,000 to a peak £845,000 and earnings from 4p to 5·4p.

Real Time Control

DESPITE a £140,000 rise in turnover to £1·89m Real Time Control's half-year pre-tax profits have slumped from £415,000 to £118,000.

Moreover, though the group is entering the final quarter with a satisfactory order book for both electronic point-of-sale equipment and keyboards, it is unlikely that the overall performance will measure up to last year's outcome—£817,000 pre-tax.

As usual, there is no interim dividend.

Restmor Group

RESTMOR Group, the baby carriage and nursery furniture maker, has followed a record year by edging first half pre-tax profits on from £795,000 to a *high of £804,000 despite the effect* of a substantial increase in capital expenditure, mainly for the construction of a new factory building.

From earnings of 4·22p (equal to 3·56p), the interim dividend is being effectively maintained at 0·75p payable March 8.

William Sommerville

FIRST-HALF pre-tax profits from papermaker William Sommerville & Son are more than halved from £272,000 to £107,000, but the board says it is still a "welcome return" to profitability over the closing months of 1983-84 when it lost £22,800. Normal coal supplies would have meant profits more than £75,000 better. Turnover in the period was £5m (£2·76m).

The interim dividend stays at 0·55p despite a fall in earnings to 9·02p (23·24p).

Stakis

STAKIS, the Scottish-headquartered hotels and casino group, is making its first scrip issue for four years with a two for one. The new shares will not rank for the 2p final dividend payable on April 10 which raised the total by 50 p.c. to 3p following a rise in 1983-84 pre-tax profits from £6·46m to £10·16m.

IN BRIEF

St Andrew Trust: Full-year pre-tax revenue £1·39m (£1·29m). Gross revenue £1·84m (£1·45m). Eps 7·72p (6·85p). Final dividend 5·2p, making 7·7p (7p). Nav 398·4p (351·5p).

John Beals Associated Companies: First half pre-tax profit £230,000 (£220,000). Turnover £7·05m (£6·6m). Eps 5·9p (5·7p). Interim dividend 1·2p (1·15p) payable February 22.

Murray Smaller Markets Trust: First half pre-tax revenue £851,900 (£283,600). Dividends and interest received £1·26m (£1·11m). Interest charge £517,600 (£751,400). Nav per Ordinary and "B" Ordinary 203p (171·4p). Full year estimated eps 2·6p (2·36p). Interim dividend 0·7p (0·6p) already paid.

M M E Facilities: First half pre-tax profit £201,000 (£120,000). Sales £740,000 (£556,000). Eps 1·88p (1·08p). Interim dividend 0·7p (0·525) payable April 8. Two for 25 scrip and final of not less than 1·75p (1·575p) forecast for which new shares will rank. Name to be changed to Capital Television Facilities.

BIDS AND DEALS

Abercom Group

ABERCOM GROUP, the South African engineering group is selling Consani (Cape) to Murray and Roberts, and Hubco Forgings to Auto Industrial (Pty) for total cash expectation to be over R16m (£6·2m). Total associated losses, which will be in the 1984-85 accounts, are expected to be around R20 (£7·7m) pre-tax.

Profits from the continuing operations are presently projected at "somewhat higher" than the R9·5m pre-tax in 1984. Short term borrowings in South Africa have been eliminated.

In America, Abercom is buying—through American Davidson the Sturtevant division of Westinghouse for around $6m (£5·5m).

NEW ISSUES

Gestetner

GESTETNER HOLDINGS is seeking shareholders' approval at an EGM on March 27 for a one-for-four scrip for holders of the voting Ordinary and Ordinary capital shares as compensation for the enfranchisement of the non-voting "A" Ordinary and "A" Ordinary capital shares. New shares will not rank for the final dividend for the year ended November 1984.

MINING

Rustenburg

RUSTENBURG Platinum Holdings reports a net profit of R59·5m for the six months to Dec. 31 against R32m. The board says profits in the second half are also likely to show a substantial increase.

Demand for platinum continued to improve, and the rand prices for all metals sold were higher. Reflecting the outlook and in part to reduce disparity the interim dividend rises from 17·5 South African cents to 35 share, on March 8.

Cadbury expands in South Africa

CADBURY-SCHWEPPES has increased its holding in Amalgamated Beverage (Proprietary), South Africa's major soft drinks producer, and will collect R7 million (£2·7 million) following an R85 million (£32·9 million) move by South African Breweries to buy control of Amalgamated from Coca-Cola.

Amalgamated is the franchise bottler of Coca-Cola and Schweppes products in Johannesburg, Pretoria, and Durban. Under the terms of the agreement it will give up *80 p.c. of its canning operations* to Coca-Cola, which at present owns 64 p.c. of the company.

In a four-stage deal, S A Breweries will take its holding up from 21 p.c. to 55 p.c. by January 1987. Cadbury-Schweppes, which is shown as having a 12 p.c. interest in its last set of accounts, will retain its present 15 p.c. stake, allowed for under a previous agreement, and collect R7 million in respect of the canning deal.

Amalgamated expects to make R20 million (£7·74 million) after tax this year on sales of R350 million. It has net assets put at R150 million.

THE QUESTOR COLUMN

Dizzy heights at W H Smith

WHILE the index hovers *around record* levels the only thing cheap in the market is talk. But even this can have expensive consequences, witness the sudden upsurge in the shares of W. H. Smith & Son (Holdings) — inspired entirely by takeover talk.

Prior to this speculation Smith "A" shares had consistently underperformed the retailing sector, lagging the average rating by around three points. But since the beginning of the year they have jumped by more than 60p—they rose 12p yesterday to 218p—to put the rating almost on a par with the rest of the sector.

That must be worrying for the management, especially given that the interim figures for the six months to December 1 are due next week. These will come under abnormally close scrutiny and if the speculation is by then on the wane, any sign of weakness in the figures could lead to heavy profit-taking.

The speculation has been based on two ideas. One is that the group's prime high street sites and large D I Y stores Do-It-All are coveted by many a large company seeking to expand or diversify into the retail sector.

One name thrown into the ring by the speculators is Arthur Guinness which has already started to expand in the newsagency business.

But Smith is now capitalised at £515 million and would be an enormously large mouthful for Guinness which is capitalised at £454 million.

The other theory is that *Smith will be the subject of* consortium buy-out, with the consortium made up of several leading retailers each believing they can derive better returns than Smith can on its assets.

That is a beautifully constructed idea. It is easy to see *that an* astute retailer on the look-out for high street sites might try to attract a D I Y chain to the idea of a break-up.

Habitat - Mothercare, or perhaps Burton Group could fill the first role with perhaps Homecharm or Woolworth coming in for Do-It-All. But who buys the newspaper and book wholesaling business?

This acounts for around 37 p.c. of group profits. Guinness could be interested but on its own this division is far less attractive than as part of large retailing group. It is highly cyclical and also has the threat of V A T imposition hanging over it.

Smith itself refutes all suggestions that a takeover is on the cards. The family controls around 39 p.c. of the votes through its "B" shareholdings and is unlikely to give up easily, a point everyone in the retail sector already knows.

With the shares now on a prospective multiple of 15·5 times investors should tread warily.

Simply stick with Evode

FOR the second time in four years Evode Group's pre-tax profit record has been spoiled, this time by only £218,000, with *results for the year* to September 29 shaved from £2,528,000 to £2,310,000.

The setback should prove temporary because new acquisitions are expected to bring in £600,000 after financing charges. So far this year trading conditions have been generally satisfactory and losses in Ireland have been stemmed. The patient could thus usefully take advantage of yesterday's share price weakness, down 4p to 115p, for at least the dividend record remains progressive.

Within the dominant adhesives and sealants division margins come under pressure, cost increases were difficult to pass on and pre-tax profits fell from £1·39 million to £1·04 million. Roofing and insulation profits were also lower, though the *order* book at Evode Roofing is now running 25 p.c. ahead at *record levels*, and demand for powder coatings continues to grow.

Recent acquisitions make Evode one of the largest powder coating companies in the United Kingdom, while on the roofing front a manufacturing operation in conjunction with German partners is to be established at Telford.

Evode's target this year is to consolidate, to reap the full benefits of recent acquisitions and to fight for the lost profit margins of 1984.

The group's increased capital expenditure last year—at £5·6 million it was 2·6 times the depreciation charge—meant a much reduced tax charge and saved net earnings from taking a dent. This year the tax charge will be higher, but so should pre-tax profits and if the £5 million mark is hit then the shares currently sit on a prospective price-earnings ratio of 9·6.

Recurrent takeover talk aside, stick with Evode.

Winterbottom's action scene

A SPATE of comings and going on the Winterbottom Energy Trust share register continued yesterday with the disclosure that Mutual Shares Corporation had bought 2·4 million shares to take its interest up to 18·4 p.c.

The acquisition, thought to have come from the Save and *Prosper* shareholding, follows the purchase by London Merchant Securities of a 25 p.c. stake, most of which came from the Prudential Corporation.

Meanwhile, Gruss & Co., the New York arbitrageurs, which *at one time owned 9·5 p.c.* of the Winterbottom equity, are out of the game, having retired hurt when the Prudential opted out.

Gruss had been expecting the Prudential to force unitisation on or take over upon the hapless Winterbottom, and was most upset when the *Prudential* acted in its own interests rather than in the interests of the shareholders as a whole.

LMS, for its 23 p.c., is getting a couple of seats on the Winterbottom board—but Winterbottom insists that this does not indicate any change in investment policy.

Mutual Shares, a New York-based mutual fund with assets of *$750 million*, is not looking for a seat on the board, merely for action. It does not seem to mind whether that is brought about by takeover, unitisation, a change in the market valua*tion of Winterbottom* or by a surge in the value of sterling against the dollar.

The attraction is that Winterbottom, which has a successful record, owns a portfolio of North American oil stocks. Mutual Shares is "looking through" the trust at the underlying portfolio, and likes what it sees.

That said, the merry-go-round is still turning and the shares at 92p, compared with a net asset value of 110p, are a well backed speculation. But beware, a weakening in the dollar could soon erode any potential gain.

MONEY & EXCHANGES

FOREIGN EXCHANGES were very quiet with most United States banks closed for Inauguration Day.

The dollar opened lower after the supposed intervention in New York on Friday, but there was no sign of concerted action yesterday. It closed 55 points lower at Dm 3·17 after the Bundesbank sold a routine *$13·9 million* at the fixing in Frankfurt. It also eased 85 points to Sf 2·6655, 2¼ centimes to Ff 9·70½ and 95 points to 253·40 yen.

Sterling traded in a narrow range before closing at $1·1255, up 31 points. It also edged higher *against the mark, up 25 points to* Dm 3·56¾, but the trade weighted *value closed unchanged at 71·3* after touching 71·4 p.c.

Maturing assistance helped create a credit shortage estimated at £800 million in the discount market and houses bid up to 12¾ p.c. for fresh funds during the morning. The Bank of England arranged £387m of sale and repurchase agreements at 11⅞ p.c., £201m maturing on Jan. 30 and £186m the next day.

It also bought £335m worth of bills in all four maturities at unchanged rates and added £125m of direct lending late in the day.

Rates eased only briefly to *11 p.c. in the market and closed* up at 12 p.c. again.

Overnight money in the interbank market followed a similar pattern opening at 12¼-12½ p.c. *and closing at 12 p.c. Three* month money closed 1 32 p.c. lower at 11 15/16 to 12 p.c.

THE POUND ABROAD

	21-1-85	Prev. close
Austria	25·01—·06	24·99—25·04
Belgium*	71·36—·46	71·37—·47
Canada	1·4852—4886	1·4878—4897
Denmark	12·7293—7462	12·7375—7545
France	10·9152—·9371	10·9122—·9332
Germany W	3·5651—5699	3·5625—5679
Holland	4·0279—0549	4·0247—0518
Ireland	1·1456—1495	1·1465—1478
Italy	2188·85—2196·44	2184·68—2192·25
Japan	284·91—285·83	285·16—·81
Norway	10·3172—10·3377	10·3010—·3214
Portugal	193·17—194·76	192·95—194·24
Spain	196·28—197·58	196·15—197·45
Sweden	10·2462—2656	10·2281—2484
Switzerland	2·9976—3·0019	2·9960—3·0016
Utd. States	1·1248—1258	1·1217—1227

* Convertible rate.

Effective Sterling Exchange Rate Index NOON 71·4 (71·2) CLOSE 71·3 (71·3) (Base 1975 = 100)

OTHER MARKET RATES

Argentina	Peso 229 85—230 28
Australia	A$1 3775—1 3795
Brazil	Cruzeiro 3,801—3,824
Cyprus	C£ 0,7355—0,7401
Finland	Markka 7·4661—7·4750
Greece	Drachma 144·10—147·02
Hong Kong	HK$ 8·7660—8·7760
India	Rupee 14 2045
Iraq*	Dinar 0,3468—0,3486
Kuwait	Dinar 0,3426—0,3465
Malaysia	Ringgit 2,7950—2,8050
Saudi Arabia	Ryal 4,0130—4,0540
Singapore	S$ 2 4670—2,4770
South Africa	Rand 2,6000—2,6050
United Arab Emirates	Dirham 4,1170—4,1570

* Subject to limit

DOLLAR RATES

	21-1-85	Prev. close
France	9·7050	9·7275
Germany	3·1700	3·1827
Switzerland	2·6655	2·6745
Japan	253·40	254·35
Trade weighted ave.	146·00	146·5

EUROCURRENCIES

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7 days	8 1/16—8 1/4	1 month 8 1/8—8 1/4
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3 months	5 3/4—5 7/8	6 months 5 7/8—6

FORWARD RATES

The forward rates for currencies for one month and three months are as follows:

	One month	Three months
Austria	1¾-1⅛ Gro.pm	2½-2½ Gro.pm
Belgium	10—5 c.pm	21—12 c.pm
Canada	0.36—0.31 c.pm	0.82—0.75 c.pm
Denmark	⅜Ore p—¾Ore d	¾—2¼ Ore.dis
France	1¼—1 c.pm	2¼—1¼ c.pm
Germany W	2¼—1⅞ Pf pm	5¼—4¾ Pf pm
Holland	2⅛—2 c.pm	5⅜—5⅛ c.pm
Italy	4—8 Lire dis	15—18 Lire dis
Japan	1½—1⅛ Yen pm	3¾—3½ Yen pm
Norway	⅞—⅝ Ore.dis	1¼—2⅜ Ore dis
Portugal	205—495 c.dis	615—1460 c.dis
Spain	5—35 c.dis	55—80 c.dis
Sweden	⅜—1⅛ Ore dis	Par—⅞ Ore dis
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LONDON METAL MARKETS
Rudolf Wolff Report

COPPER: Firm. Wire Bars: Off Settlement £1,248·50 (£1,231). Off Midday Cash £1,248-£1,248·50, 3 Months £1,248·50-£1,249. After Close Cash £1,246-£1,247, 3 Months £1,249-£1,249·50. T/O 19,000 Tonnes. Cathodes: Barely steady. Off Settlement £1,250 (£1,240). Off Midday Cash £1,229-£1,230, 3 Months £1,239-£1,241. After Close Cash £1,224-£1,226, 3 Months £1,235-£1,236. T/O 700 Tonnes.

TIN: Easier. Off Settlement £9,730 (£9,788). Off Midday Cash £9,770-£9,780, 3 Months £9,755-£9,760. After Close Cash £9,675-£9,680, 3 Months £9,661-£9,665. T/O 1,485 Tonnes.

LEAD: Firmer. Off Settlement £372 (£374). Off Midday Cash £371-£372, 3 Months £354-£355. After Close Cash £366-£368, 3 Months £359-£359·50. T/O 12,750 Tonnes.

ZINC: Firm. Off settlement £726·50 (£720), off midday cash £723-£726·50, 3 mths £723-£724, aft close cash £730-£731, 3 mths £726-£727. T/O 10,025 Tonnes.

SILVER: Steadier but quiet. Midday cash 552·0p-553·0p, 3 mth 568·1p-568·2p, aft close cash 555·5p-556·5p, 3 mths 570·5p-571·0p. T/O 18 Lots of 10,000 ozs each.

ALUMINIUM: Barely steady. Off settlement £1,001·50 (£985), off midday cash £1,001-£1,001·50, 3 mths £1,029-£1,030, aft close cash £997·50-£998·50, 3 mths £1,027-£1,027·50. T/O 22,530 tonnes.

NICKEL: Barely steady. Off settlement £4,450 (£4,382), off midday cash £4,445-£4,450, 3 mths £4,455-£4,460, aft close cash £4,430-£4,440, 3 mths £4,428-£4,440. T/O 2,730 tonnes.

LONDON GOLD FUTURES (Price in $): Feb. 308·80. T/O 189 lots of 100 troy ozs each.

LONDON SILVER MARKET: Spot 530·85 (557·60), 3 mths 566·30 (573·70), 6 mths 581·15 (588·40), 1 yr 611·25 (616·40).

PLATINUM: Free-Market £245·20 (£245·35).

CRUDE OIL

Rotterdam spot prices in $: Arab Light 27·93, Dubai 27·95, Arab Heavy 26·75, North Sea (Forties) 27·60, North Sea (Brent) 27·25, Nigerian Bonny Medium 27·65.

GAS OIL FUTURES

GAS OIL: Jan. 256·35, Feb. 250·50-50·25, March 235·25-25·75, April 215·50-15·25, May 215·25-11·75, June 211·75, July 212·50-11, Aug. 217·10, Sept. 219·10. Total volume: 2,700. Premier Man.

LONDON COMMODITY MARKETS

Rubber: Spot 64·00-66·00 (64·00-66·00). Futures: Quiet. Feb. £635, March £595-£645, April £610-£655, May £620-£665, June £650-£675, July £640-£685, Aug. £650-£700, Sept. £660-£710, Oct. £670-£730. T/O 10 lots.

SISAL: East African quoted levels No. 1 Basis $670, No. 3 Long $650, C.I.F. Antwerp Prices.

SUGAR: London Daily Price Raws £93·50 $105. No. 6 contract. $ per tonne. March 121·80-122, May 128·80-129, Aug. 139-139·20, Oct. 146·80-147, Dec. 153·40-153·60, March 167·60-168, May 173·60-174. T/O 859 lots.

SOYA MEAL: Unchanged. Feb. £152·50-£153·50, April £151·80-£153·50, June £150-£150·50, Aug. £150·50-£151, Oct. £151·50-£152·50, Dec. £153·50-£153·50, Feb. £153·50-£155. T/O 88 lots.

COCOA: £ per ton March 2081, May 2093, July 2085, Sept. 2079, Dec. 1999, March 1992. Sales: 2,726.

COFFEE: £ per ton Jan. 2565, March 2583, May 2377, July 2585, Sept. 2590, Nov. 2590, Jan. 2589. Sales: 1,221.

LONDON GRAIN MARKETS

BARLEY: £ per ton Jan. 112·85, March 114·35, May 116·95, Sept. 98·70, Nov. 102. WHEAT: "B" £ per ton Jan. 111·15, March 113·55, May 117, July 118·90, Sept. 98·90.

(G A F T A)

PIGMEAT: (Gafta). Feb. 110·6p, April 107·4p, June 105·2p, Aug. 103·4p, Oct. 108·9p, Nov. 109·6p. T/O 37 Lots.

POTATOES (Gafta). Feb. £46·50, April £54·50, May £58·20, Nov. £70·10, Feb. £79·80. T/O 451 Lots of 40 tonnes each.

COVENT GARDEN

Vegetables—each: Globe artichokes and sweetcorn 30. per pound: asparagus 400, aubergines 46, Kenya beans 66, brussel sprouts 10-20, tops 20, cabbage 10-12, calabrese 100, carrots 9-15 o'd, new 20, capsicums 30, courgettes 80, fennel 60, garlic 40, spring greens 20, leeks 40, mangetout 80-100, mushrooms 50-75, onions 5-13, picklers 15, parsnips 18-20, old potatoes 3-5, new 16-20, spinach 80, swedes 10, turnips 18.

Salad lb: Tomatoes 21-30, chicory 60, Chinese leaf 30, parsley 75, cabbage 8-10. Each: Celery 20-25, cucumbers 20-34, round lettuce 12-20, iceberg 40-66.

Fruit lb—eating apples 13-22, cookers 9-16, apricots 70-80, bananas 24-30, forced rhubarb 50, Spanish grapes 18-32, South African 100-120, lychees 70-80, clementines 15-25, satsumas 15-16, pears 8-20, plums 50-58, strawberries 100, marmalade oranges 13, chestnuts 45. Each: Minneolas 8-16, avocados 20-40, coconuts 28, figs 20-22, grapefruit 5-15, pink 30, kiwi 20-24, lemons 4-10, limes 16, mangoes 85-130, melons 60-120, peaches and nectarines 20-28, oranges 6-17, sharon fruit 20-22, pomelos 51-78, pineapples 35-100.

LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

Average fatstock prices yesterday: GB cattle 97·59p kg lw (—0·31), sheep 158·78p kg est dcw (—2·18), pigs 84·04p kg lw (—1·00). England and Wales: Cattle nos. up 1·4 p.c., ave. price 98·09p (—0·63), sheep nos. up 4·3 p.c., ave. price 158·42p (—3·64), pig nos. up 2·9 p.c., ave. price 83·89p (—1·01). Scotland: cattle nos. down 9·4 p.c., ave price 95·61p (—2·52).

LONDON TEA AUCTIONS

There were 30,650 tea packages on offer in this week's sale including 3,400 in the offshore section. A strong and active market. Medium and better quality Assams met good competition with frequent advances of 5p to 10p per kilo. Colours Bangladesh teas also firmly ... Plainest Africans irregular and barely steady towards close but all other descriptions firm to dearer particularly brighted sorts. Ceylons met good demand with mediums a strong feature and up to 10p dearer. Offshore teas well supported at firm rates. Quality 340p (340). Medium 300p (298). Low medium 253p (255).

SMITHFIELD MEAT

Average max. and min. wholesale prices based on sales pound. Beef: Scotch killed sides 78-85, Eng. hindquarters 78-95, forequarters 54-70. Lamb: Eng. small 66-74, medium 63-70, heavy 60-63. Scotch medium 63-67, heavy 58-63. Imported: NZ PL (New Season) 70-70, NZ YL (Old Season) 67-68. Pork: Eng. under 100lb 53·5-63, 100-120lb 54·5-58, 120-160lb 44-52.

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Authorised Unit Trust Prices

	Bid	Offer	Yld %
M.L.A. Units	260·6	276·2xd	2·03
M.L.A. Int	38·9	41·2	0·84
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1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
134·6	97·5	Abbey American Tst	126·4	*134·5
74·9	57·9	AbbAsset&EarnTst	70·0	74·9
88·4	67·9	Abb. Cound. & Ener.	78·0	83·4
111·6	85·6	Abbey General Tst	104·5	*111·6
125·6	114·3	Abbey Gilt & F. Int.	110·2	*116·6
75·5	56·6	Abbey H. Inc.Eq.T.	71·0	75·5
184·7	127·2	Abbey Japan Trust	172·7	184·7
73·1	57·2	Abbey UK Gwth. T.	68·0	73·1
173·0	147·4	Abb. Worldwide BT.	161·8	172·1
168·4	126·8	Equitas Prog. Tst	157·5	168·4

AITKEN HUME FUNDS MANAGEMENT LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
61·6	49·5	American Majors Fd	57·2	61·2
168·1	110·3	American Tech. Fd.	134·4	143·8
52·0	35·0	Energy Fund	35·8	38·3
492·0	380·3	Exempt	435·0	462·8
76·2	52·5	Japan Tech. Fund	71·3	76·2
160·0	123·2	Pacific Fund	138·3	148·6
149·2	117·7	Secure Income Fund	139·3	149·7
31·3	25·3	Small Companies Fd	29·3	31·3
182·4	148·4	Special Sits Fund	164·6	176·1

ALLIED UNIT TRUST LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
434·5	331·0	Allied Accum. Trust	409·9	434·5
31·5	25·0	Allied Amer. Inc. Tst	29·7	31·5
61·0	43·2	Allied Aus Spec. Sits	57·6	61·0
167·9	127·7	Allied Ass. Val. Tst	156·4	167·9
238·9	226·9	Allied Balanced Tst	272·5	238·9
208·0	155·5	Allied Capital Trust	190·4	201·9
108·7	78·8	Allied Eq. Inc. Trust	96·0	*101·8
169·7	130·8	Allied First Trust	160·1	169·7
32·7	30·0	Allied Gilt Gwth Tst	30·7	32·0
31·6	27·7	Allied Govt. Sec. Tst	27·9	29·1
109·3	83·5	Allied Gwth & Inc. T	103·1	109·3
198·1	146·5	Allied High Inc. Tst	178·1	188·8
121·5	98·0	Allied High Yield T	114·6	121·5
70·8	53·6	Allied Internat. Tst	66·6	*70·6
73·4	51·4	Allied Japan Trust	69·2	*73·4
110·4	85·3	Allied Met.Mins&Com	93·8	99·4
159·1	118·9	Allied O'seasEarn.T	150·1	*159·1
137·2	98·9	Allied Pacific Trust	*129·0	*136·7
60·5	44·1	Allied Recovery Tst	54·1	57·3
98·7	84·6	Allied Smaller Co's T	91·4	*98·7
133·8	103·5	Allied Sec.Sm.Co'sT	125·9	133·8
190·7	135·9	Allied Sec of AmerT	179·6	190·3
97·7	74·8	Allied Technology T	91·9	97·4

ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
55·4	41·8	Capital Fund	51·8	55·4
59·9	44·1	Capital Acc	56·1	59·9
108·1	84·3	Commodity Fund	82·5	88·2
176·8	139·2	Commodity Acc	137·1	146·6
65·4	46·5	Commodity 10% Wdl	45·5	48·6
111·5	78·1	East & Intnl. Acc	104·8	111·2
64·3	45·9	East & Intnl 6% Wdl	60·0	64·1
45·8	34·6	Finance & Property	42·9	45·8
71·6	54·7	Foreign Growth Fd	65·7	70·2
49·2	43·5	Gilt & Fixed Int. Fd	42·6	44·8
59·7	47·8	High Income	55·9	59·7
130·5	100·7	High Income Acc	122·1	130·5
78·9	55·1	High Inc. 8½% Wdl	71·0	75·9
62·4	54·3	High Yield	58·4	62·4
149·3	122·1	High Yield Acc	139·6	149·3
85·7	69·9	North Amer. & Intnl	78·1	83·5
26·7	24·5	Preference	24·5	*26·2
75·9	67·3	Preference Accum	70·4	*75·2
90·9	72·8	Smaller Co's Fund	85·0	90·9
11·6	8·8	World Penny Share	9·2	9·8

ARCHWAY UNIT TST. MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
221·5	171·5	Archway Fund	206·6	219·8

ATLANTA UNIT TRUST MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
59·3	43·6	Japan & Far East	53·1	56·5

BARCLAYS UNICORN

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
80·8	56·7	Unicorn Amer'n Tst	75·5	80·3
135·5	101·1	Unicorn Aust. Inc	111·6	*118·7
183·5	136·3	Unicorn Aust. Acc	153·4	163·1
176·8	136·5	Unicorn Capital	165·2	176·8
332·4	243·8	Unicorn Exempt	312·5	332·4
58·2	46·2	Unicorn Extra Inc	53·8	58·2
190·5	136·4	Unicorn Financial	178·9	190·5
199·5	155·1	Unicorn 500	187·6	199·5
108·6	79·4	Unicorn General	102·1	108·6
109·7	50·1	Unic. Gilt & Fixed In	50·7	53·0
109·7	76·0	Unic. Great Pac Inc	102·8	109·3
110·2	78·3	Unic. Great Pac. Acc	103·5	110·2
145·3	105·8	Unicorn Growth Acc	136·6	145·3
248·4	185·7	Unicorn Income	233·5	*248·4
107·1	83·0	Unicorn Prof Accum	100·7	107·1
144·8	114·1	Unicorn Recovery	136·2	144·8
58·5	43·3	Unic. Techno. Inc	54·9	58·3
87·4	58·4	Unicorn Trustee	82·2	*87·4
118·6	87·5	Unicorn World Wide	111·4	*118·5
171·9	130·4	B.T. Inv. Fd. Inc	161·6	171·9
255·5	186·4	B.T. Inv. Fd. Acc	239·5	254·5

BARING BROS. & CO.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
495·6	402·2	Stratton Trust	466·2	485·8
718·0	583·0	Stratton Tst. Accum	685·2	713·7

BRIDGE FUND MANAGERS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
74·7	59·4	B. American & Gen	69·1	74·7
110·9	86·4	B. Cap. Inc	99·8	107·4
141·2	109·4	B. Cap. Acc	127·1	136·7
252·0	230·0	B. Exempt	229·0	*246·0
108·6	84·0	B. Income	99·3	108·6
45·2	34·3	B. Intnl. Recov. Inc	37·2	40·1
59·1	44·8	B. Intnl. Recov. Acc	48·9	52·6

BRITANNIA GROUP OF UNIT TRUSTS LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
90·8	65·2	American Growth	85·0	90·7
56·5	50·5	American Inc	52·9	56·4
25·4	19·6	Amer. Smaller Co's	23·5	24·0
78·4	61·7	Amer. Special Sits	71·9	76·7
88·4	61·5	Australian Grth. Fd	79·0	84·3
176·3	121·8	Commod. Share Tst	142·8	152·3
61·0	42·0	Exempt Trust	54·5	61·0
67·9	52·2	Exempt Mkt Leaders	64·6	67·9
55·8	45·4	Extra Income	50·9	55·3
45·8	33·2	Far East	42·3	45·0
37·0	29·4	Financial Secs	34·7	37·0
53·5	49·1	Gilt Growth Trust	49·6	51·1
28·8	25·0	Gilt Trust	25·0	26·3
34·3	21·2	Gold & General	20·3	21·9
21·0	18·5	Hongkong Perform	21·0	21·6
159·7	122·8	Income & Growth	149·7	159·1
30·0	20·8	Intnl. Growth	28·0	29·9
12·2	6·9	Intnl. Leisure	11·4	12·2
45·6	31·1	Japan Performance	41·3	44·1
14·1	10·7	Japan Smaller Co's	12·0	12·8
154·3	117·0	Nat. High Income	144·7	154·3
19·9	16·5	Preference Shares	18·0	19·2
61·2	32·9	Property Share	38·6	41·2
80·1	62·2	Recovery	74·6	79·6
114·9	92·7	Small Co's	107·0	114·9
31·5	21·9	Spec. Situations Tst	29·7	31·5
37·6	25·1	U.K. Grth. Acc	31·3	33·4
35·8	23·5	Universal Energy	31·8	33·9
54·2	40·7	World Tech Tst	48·9	52·1

BROWN SHIPLEY & CO.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
51·2	42·5	Brown Shipley Fund	47·2	51·2
81·7	68·7	Accum	75·3	82·7
59·3	76·5	Financial	52·8	59·3
116·8	88·0	Growth	107·5	116·8
177·8	125·9	Growth Acc	163·6	177·8
51·7	37·9	High Inc	47·6	51·7
57·3	44·0	Income Fund	54·7	57·3
56·8	43·4	North American	52·1	*58·0
59·3	45·9	Orient Fund	52·3	55·3
28·6	22·7	Recovery	26·3	28·6
165·9	137·7	Technology Fund	152·5	164·0

BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT CO.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
166·8	129·9	General Fund	156·7	*166·8
256·2	197·8	General Accum	245·8	256·2
76·9	65·5	Income Fund	62·4	65·5
126·0	106·1	Income Accum	118·6	126·3
118·6	93·8	International Fund	113·1	118·6
155·5	120·8	International Accum	146·4	155·5

CANADA LIFE UNIT TRUST MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
95·6	73·3	Canlife Gen. Dist	88·9	*93·6
149·7	108·4	Canlife Gen. Accum	135·6	142·7
37·0	32·1	Can.Gilt & Fix'dInt	33·7	35·5
65·5	52·3	Canlife Income Dist	60·3	63·5

CANNON FUND MANAGERS LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
254·2	198·5	Income	235·9	*254·2
143·2	126·7	Far East	133·3	141·8

CATER ALLEN UNIT TRUST MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
112·2	103·0	Cater Allen Gilt Tst	108·1	108·3

CHIEFTAIN TRUST MANAGERS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
53·5	39·8	American Trust	44·4	*47·6
37·4	21·0	Australian Trust	20·8	22·3
54·2	38·8	Basic Resources	38·7	41·5
75·3	53·7	Far Eastern Trust	70·1	74·9
37·4	29·5	Global Recovery Tst	34·9	37·4
47·0	36·3	High Income	41·0	43·9
42·2	32·1	Income & Grth. Tst	39·4	42·2
66·7	53·2	International Trust	60·4	64·6
21·6	20·3	Pref & Gilt	19·3	*20·7
38·4	32·1	Smaller Co's	34·0	36·4
34·4	27·2	Special Income Sits	32·1	34·4

CONFEDERATION FUND MNGMT.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
167·0	125·6	Growth	158·7	167·0

COUNTY BANK UNIT SERVICES LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
235·4	179·2	Capital Trust	221·3	235·4
84·0	49·5	Energy	48·6	51·7
131·9	104·7	Extra Income	124·0	131·9
99·0	74·6	Financial Trust	93·1	*99·0
52·4	49·5	Gilt Strategy	50·6	51·6
244·8	177·4	Growth Invest Trust	220·8	*234·8
106·1	80·1	Income Trust	99·9	106·1
87·8	62·5	Japanese&Pac.Grth.	82·6	87·8
100·5	72·8	Nth.Amer Growth Tst.	88·9	94·5
149·7	119·7	Portfolio Inv. Fd.	143·0	149·7
102·6	75·8	Recovery Trust	96·4	*102·5
148·9	111·5	Smaller Co's	140·3	145·2

CRESCENT GROUP

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
75·3	60·7	Crescent American	69·5	74·3
82·5	46·5	Crescent Capital Fd.	58·5	62·5
107·6	81·5	CrescentGrowth & Inc	100·6	107·6
97·2	67·9	Crescent High Dist.	78·4	83·8
181·1	134·8	Crescent Intnl	168·6	180·4
118·9	90·7	Crescent Tokyo Fd.	111·2	118·9

CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
113·7	87·9	Crown American Tst	105·4	*112·7
177·3	131·7	CrownGrowth Trust	164·2	175·6
178·4	143·8	CrownHighInc.Tst	166·8	178·4

DISCRETIONARY UNIT FUND MNGMT.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
79·4	68·0	Discretionary Inc	74·3	78·5
135·7	114·6	Discretionary Acc	126·5	133·6

EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
289·6	222·8	EquitablePelicanUts	272·2	289·6

EQUITY AND LAW UNIT TRUST

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
105·5	78·0	Far East Acc	99·1	105·4
197·0	152·8	General	185·2	197·0
88·9	78·4	Gilt Fxd Int'Tst AcUn	81·1	86·4
168·8	112·4	Higher Inc. Tst. Acc	158·7	168·8
137·5	93·9	N. Amer. Tst. Ac.Un	129·1	137·5
120·1	90·8	UKGrowthTst.AcUn	112·9	120·1

F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
70·2	47·8	F & C American Fd	65·6	70·2
97·8	76·6	F & C Capital Fund	90·9	97·3
64·7	51·0	F & C Income Fund	60·5	64·7
56·4	40·8	F&C Far Eastern Fd	52·4	56·1

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
94·8	69·3	American	88·5	94·2
61·4	42·2	Amer. Special Sits	51·7	55·1
31·5	28·2	Gilt & Fixed Interest	28·2	*29·3
72·3	49·4	Growth & Income	67·9	72·3
93·1	51·6	Japan Trust	85·1	90·6
98·6	64·0	Managed Intl. Trust	94·2	99·6
58·1	41·1	Nat. Inc. Trust	54·6	58·1
102·5	71·8	Special Situations	96·4	102·5

FINLAY (JAMES) UNIT TST. MNGMNT.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
87·8	73·0	Fund of Inv Trust	81·4	87·5
126·9	101·6	Fund of Inv. Acc	117·7	126·5
56·0	46·6	Income	52·0	55·9
74·2	58·4	International	69·0	74·2
94·7	74·3	International Accum	86·1	91·7
18·9	16·4	World Energy Fund	16·8	18·0
27·1	22·4	World Energy Acc	22·9	24·6

FRAMLINGTON UNIT MNGMT.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
196·2	155·4	American	177·8	189·0
196·2	160·0	Amer. & Gen. Acc	179·6	191·0
199·0	151·4	Amer. Turnaround	181·4	192·8
199·4	154·8	Amer. Turnrnd. Acc.	185·4	197·2
153·0	107·4	Capital	143·4	152·1
178·0	122·6	Capital Accum	167·4	178·0
80·0	66·2	Convertible & Gilt	75·2	*80·0
99·8	79·8	Convert. & Gilt Acc	91·0	99·8
114·8	85·2	Extra Inc	107·8	*114·6
88·8	67·0	Income	83·6	86·8
155·4	125·6	Intnl. Growth	138·2	147·0
168·4	137·4	Int. Growth Accum	151·4	161·0
62·4	44·6	Japan & Gen. Inc	56·6	62·2
98·0	77·0	Recovery Trust	92·2	*98·0
104·0	80·0	Recovery Trust Acc	97·8	104·8

FRIENDS' PROVIDENT UNIT MNGMT.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
167·5	135·3	Fd's Prov. Eqty Uts	158·3	167·5
270·0	230·9	Fd's Prov. Eqty Utd	253·2	270·0

G. & A. UNIT TRUST MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
95·1	70·5	G. & A. Units	87·9	93·1

G.T. UNIT MANAGERS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
74·4	54·0	G.T. Capital Income	69·5	74·4
102·9	57·3	G.T. Capital Accum	96·2	102·9
147·8	115·0	G.T. European	138·1	147·8
89·6	65·1	G.T. Far East & Gen	83·7	89·6
67·3	52·0	G.T. Income Fund	62·8	67·3
112·6	84·0	G.T. Intnl. Fund	104·6	111·6
158·3	112·6	G.T. Japan & Gen	148·0	158·3
102·7	97·9	G.T. Liquid Reserve	98·6	100·2
149·8	118·5	G.T. Pensn. Exempt	143·0	149·8
87·1	68·1	G.T.Tech&GrwthFd	73·9	79·1
54·0	42·4	G.T. U.S. Gen	47·6	51·0

GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
86·2	68·5	American Trust	80·5	85·7
24·7	16·6	Australian Trust	20·5	21·8
44·4	33·3	British Trust	41·7	44·4
76·3	61·6	Commodity Share	65·6	69·8
38·2	29·3	Extra Income	35·9	38·2
90·6	54·0	Far Eastern	84·4	89·8
27·9	24·8	Fixed Interest Trust	23·8	*25·4
28·8	25·1	Gilt Trust	25·1	*26·2
116·5	88·2	Global Fund Trust	110·4	117·5
35·0	16·5	Gold Share Trust	16·2	17·2
107·6	84·1	High Income Tst	101·1	107·6
32·5	17·3	Hong Kong	29·5	31·7
50·9	35·5	Income Fund	47·8	50·9
79·7	58·3	Japan Trust	74·6	79·3
41·0	33·1	Oil & Energy Trust	34·6	36·8
70·7	54·3	Special Situations	66·4	70·7
47·7	38·2	UKSm'llCo'sRecTst	44·6	47·5

GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MNGMT.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
50·3	46·3	Gold & Minerals Fd	47·3	50·3
61·7	44·3	Govett Am. Grth. Fd	57·5	*61·4
107·7	88·7	GovettEuro.Growth	100·7	107·7
68·1	49·9	Govett Int. Growth	63·2	67·5
99·7	62·7	Govett Jap Grth. F.	93·3	*99·7

GRIEVESON MNGMNT.—BARRINGTON FUNDS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
253·5	194·7	European	243·5	*253·5
119·7	95·0	General	113·0	*119·7
158·5	124·5	General Accum	149·6	158·5
118·1	108·2	Gilt	107·3	110·7
66·6	51·3	High Yield	62·6	*66·6
123·2	89·7	High Yield Accum	115·8	123·2
140·3	98·8	Japan	132·4	140·3
240·3	200·8	North America	223·6	235·3
270·7	226·1	North American Acc	254·3	267·3
105·8	83·2	Pacific	98·7	103·8
116·0	92·6	Pacific Accum	110·3	116·0
279·7	222·3	Smaller Co's	268·9	279·7

GUARDIAN ROYAL EXCHANGE UNIT MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
122·6	111·3	GRE Gilt & Fixed	112·3	116·7
165·8	113·1	GRE Gwth Eqty Tst	155·6	165·8
129·8	92·9	GRE North America	121·8	129·6
151·6	108·6	GRE Pacific	142·2	151·6
155·6	118·1	GRE Property Share	144·5	*153·8
167·7	125·8	GRE Small Co's	157·7	167·7
249·7	192·1	Guardhill	241·0	249·7

HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
126·0	91·3	American Recovery	116·8	125·6
99·6	58·5	Australian Tst	67·2	71·2
55·7	40·5	American Small Co's	50·9	54·7
126·5	97·0	Extra Income	116·3	*126·5
50·8	36·3	Cap. Growth Inc	46·8	50·0
56·2	40·6	Cap. Growth Acc	52·5	56·2
155·7	80·6	European	126·2	135·7
98·7	78·6	Financial	86·6	92·7
57·6	54·2	Fixed Interest	52·1	*55·1
55·5	43·8	Gilt Fund	43·6	46·4
56·0	43·2	Global Health Care	52·8	56·0
104·5	80·1	Global Technology	97·5	*104·3
131·0	105·2	High Income	122·4	131·0
82·4	60·9	Income & Assets	77·0	82·4
107·4	81·8	Inc. & Growth Inc	100·4	107·4
199·2	148·5	Inc. & Growth Acc	186·3	199·2
124·2	95·0	International Trust	116·1	124·2
102·0	76·5	Japan Special Sits	96·2	102·0
96·0	73·3	Japan Trust	89·8	95·6
144·4	99·3	North American	133·6	*143·7
92·3	72·7	Oil & Nat. Resources	76·0	80·6
51·0	48·6	Pref. & Gilt	46·6	*49·6
84·5	64·1	Recovery	79·0	84·5
76·7	56·5	Small Co's Div	70·0	74·9
101·1	79·2	Spec. Situations Inc	94·0	100·5
139·3	108·0	Spec. Situations Acc	129·5	138·5
274·9	229·6	Worldwide Tr	261·2	274·9

HILL SAMUEL UNIT TST. MNGMT.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
420·1	316·6	British Trust	394·0	420·1
79·5	59·1	Capital Trust	74·7	79·5
181·3	157·8	Dollar Trust	160·0	170·3
56·0	48·1	European Trust	52·0	*56·0
104·5	70·6	Far East Trust	96·4	102·6
257·9	198·2	Financial Trust	251·8	267·9
130·10	125·80	General Exempt Tst	128·60	130·10
29·4	26·8	Gilt & Fixed Int	26·9	28·0
49·2	35·4	Gilt & Fixed Int Gth	37·2	38·7
52·6	40·2	High Yield Trust	47·2	50·3
61·7	46·6	Income Trust	58·0	61·7
101·5	77·8	Intnl. Trust	91·6	*107·0
34·4	24·1	Japanese Tech	30·9	*32·9
41·9	30·0	Natural Resources T	31·3	33·4
143·5	99·5	Security Trust	135·6	143·5
53·5	37·5	Smaller Comp Trust	50·2	53·5
81·9	64·6	Special Sits. Tst	76·9	81·5

KEY FUND MANAGERS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
173·6	116·6	Key Equity & Gen	161·4	173·6
63·8	57·7	Key Fixed Int. Fd	59·7	63·8
159·5	124·7	Key Income Fund	148·3	159·5

KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
165·6	126·9	K.B. Fd. of Inv. Tsts	150·1	165·6
98·8	77·6	K.B. High Yield	93·7	98·8
233·1	172·6	K.B. UK Eq Grth In	209·3	222·7
72·8	52·0	K.B. Jnl Rec Fd Inc.	18·6	79·8
119·7	101·2	K.B. Smaller Co's	112·7	119·5
59·6	41·7	K.B. Wld Tch Fd Inc	43·6	46·5

LAWSON FUND MANAGERS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
10·8	7·5	Australian & Pacific	8·0	8·8
24·5	21·9	High Yield	21·0	23·6
17·5	13·4	Penny Share	15·3	15·2

LEGAL & GENERAL TST. MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
224·4	172·1	Equity Trust	208·7	224·3
338·1	255·6	Equity Accum	314·0	338·0
72·6	64·0	Gilt	65·0	70·8
66·6	51·0	Intnl Managed	62·2	*66·2

LLOYDS BANK UNIT TST. MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
155·3	117·2	Balanced	147·1	152·2
265·0	199·0	Accum	244·1	261·0
59·8	49·0	Energy International	51·7	54·7
63·5	51·8	Energy Intnl Acc	54·6	58·3
171·6	92·2	Extra Income	110·0	117·6
198·7	151·7	Accum	185·7	198·7
209·0	155·0	Income	191·6	204·0
381·7	279·0	Accum	356·9	381·7
178·8	138·1	Intnl. Tech. Unit Tst	166·9	178·5
185·3	148·1	Intl.Tech.Unit Tst Acc	173·5	185·3
103·4	73·8	Nth. Amer. & Gen	93·7	*100·2
106·7	77·8	Nth. Amer & Gen Acc	99·5	106·4
106·7	77·0	Pacific Basin Inc	99·8	106·7
109·9	78·6	Pacific Basin Acc	102·8	109·9
139·8	107·7	Small Co's & Recvr	129·5	138·8
159·4	117·1	Small Co's & Rec Acc	149·5	159·4
162·0	126·5	Worldwide Growth	151·5	162·0
235·0	174·5	Accum	210·0	234·5

MLA UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
283·7	221·9	MLA Units	260·6	*276·2
41·2	30·0	MLA International	38·9	41·2

MANULIFE MANAGEMENT LIMITED

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
97·6	82·4	Gilt & Fix. Interest	88·9	90·6
60·9	43·8	Growth	57·3	60·9
92·7	70·6	Int Growth Unit Tst	87·2	92·7

MARLBOROUGH COURT FUND MANAGERS LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
117·5	94·5	Equity Inc	110·9	117·5
127·5	101·0	International	119·5	127·5

McANALLY FUND MNGMNT LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
45·1	36·4	Delphi Income Trust	42·3	45·1
78·9	60·3	Delphi Income Acc	74·1	78·9
131·9	98·3	Glen Fund Inc	123·9	131·9
212·8	165·3	Glen Fund Acc	200·0	212·8

MENCAP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
106·2	80·8	Mencap	99·9	*106·2

MERCURY FUND MANAGERS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
80·2	57·3	American Growth	75·4	80·2
181·4	131·6	Mercury Gen. Dist	170·6	181·4
285·9	205·9	Mercury Gen. Acc	268·8	285·9
83·9	73·3	Mercury Gilt Fd	78·2	*78·9
197·0	144·6	Mercury Intnl. Dist	185·2	197·0
241·0	175·3	Mercury Intnl. Acc	226·6	241·0
97·8	59·5	Merc. Jap. Fnd. Dis	91·6	97·4
130·4	100·5	Mercury Recovery	122·6	130·4

MIDLAND BANK GP. UNIT TST. MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
67·4	47·9	Capital	63·2	*67·4
88·9	54·8	Capital Accum	83·4	88·9
147·2	114·4	Commod. & General	134·6	137·9
198·3	153·9	Commod. & Gen.Acc	168·9	180·1
61·7	47·7	Gilt & Fixed Interest	49·8	52·0
79·0	69·7	Gilt & Fixed Int. Acc	72·6	75·8
121·3	96·5	High Yield	113·8	121·3
191·8	145·4	High Yield Accum	179·9	191·8
133·4	105·9	Income	125·1	133·4
205·5	150·8	Income Accum	193·7	206·5
176·3	136·6	Japan & Pacific	165·4	176·3
183·9	131·7	Japan & Pacific Acc	172·5	183·9
97·1	76·5	North American	91·1	97·1
114·0	89·9	North American Acc	106·9	114·0
85·4	67·4	Overseas Growth	78·2	83·4
100·6	79·6	Overseas Growth Acc	92·8	98·9
85·1	65·2	Smaller Co's Trust	80·2	*85·8
87·7	66·8	Smaller Co's Tst Acc	71·7	76·4

MINSTER FUND MANAGERS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
96·1	91·5	Minster Fund	93·0	96·0

MONTAGU UNIT TRUST MNGRS LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
50·3	40·2	Gold & Prec. Metals	40·7	43·4
50·3	40·3	Gold & Prec. Mets Ac	41·2	43·9
64·9	43·8	Japan Performance	60·9	64·9
65·0	41·3	Japan Perform. Acc	61·0	65·0
55·5	44·2	UK Market Features	47·6	50·7
55·5	44·2	UK Mark. Featn. Ac	47·7	50·8
66·1	46·7	U.S. Special Featn	62·0	66·1
66·3	47·3	U.S. Spec. Featn. Ac	62·2	66·3
57·0	50·0	U.S. Special Income	53·5	57·0
57·0	50·0	U.S. Spec. Inc. Acc	53·5	57·0

M. & G. GROUP

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
195·7	129·6	American & Gen. Fd	184·5	195·6
221·1	146·8	American & Gen. Acc	208·6	221·1
228·8	162·4	American Recovery	215·8	228·8
257·3	172·5	Amer. Recov. Acc	230·5	244·1
50·3	38·6	Amer. Smaller Co's	46·6	*50·3
105·7	77·1	Australasian & Gen	93·0	97·2
113·4	85·0	Aust. & Gen. Accum	97·9	104·8
284·6	225·0	Charifund	281·7	284·6
672·1	490·0	Charifund Accum	665·4	672·1
205·3	173·0	Commodity & Gen	189·6	201·0
258·8	215·7	Comod. & Gen. Acc	240·8	255·3
332·6	252·1	Compound Growth	313·8	332·6
271·1	203·0	Conversion Growth	255·8	271·1
155·7	130·6	Conversion Income	146·9	155·7
301·0	220·9	Dividend Fund	285·5	301·0
836·2	588·2	Accum	788·9	836·2
113·6	87·9	European & Gen. Fd	107·2	*113·6
134·5	98·3	Accum	126·7	134·3
169·5	130·5	Extra Yield	159·9	169·5
341·0	253·5	Accum	321·7	341·0
166·8	127·3	Far Eastern & Gen	155·7	165·0
198·3	150·9	Accum	186·2	197·4
192·0	151·6	Fund of Inv. Trusts	181·1	192·0
341·4	257·6	Accum	323·9	341·4
461·7	357·1	General Trust	435·6	*461·7
956·9	714·6	Accum	903·9	956·9
61·1	55·7	Gilt Fund	57·7	59·5
82·2	73·1	Gilt Fund Acc	75·9	79·7
60·3	43·1	Gold & General Fund	41·0	43·5
229·3	176·5	High Income	216·3	229·3
592·0	425·9	High Income Accum	549·1	582·0
678·4	547·9	Internat. Growth	640·0	678·4
110·40	80·40	Int'nal Growth Acc	104·10	110·40
521·1	351·4	Japan & General	468·6	506·1
547·1	365·6	Japan & General Acc	500·0	540·0
388·7	276·6	Midland & General	366·7	388·7
921·1	611·5	Accum	889·0	921·1
33·1	30·4	N. A. A. C. I. F.	—	32·9
337·5	285·5	Accum	—	335·5
364·6	274·9	Pension Exempt	339·3	364·6
237·0	182·4	Recovery Fund	222·2	236·0
300·0	221·7	Accum	277·8	300·0
86·2	68·0	Second General	94·1	*73·7
995·3	500·4	Accum	957·1	995·3
528·8	376·6	Smaller Cos Fd	495·1	528·8
591·4	523·2	Smaller Co's Accum	546·6	591·4
354·4	274·2	Trustee Fund	312·5	331·4

MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TST.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
110·2	83·1	Murray American	103·0	110·2
111·5	87·3	Murray European	103·8	111·5
159·9	111·1	Murray Smaller Co's	145·3	155·5

NATIONAL PROVIDENT INV.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
160·7	117·8	N.P.I. Growth Dist	151·0	160·7
251·0	179·7	N.P.I. Growth Acc	235·9	251·0

N.E.L. TST. MANAGERS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
63·9	50·7	Nelstar H. Income	60·7	63·9

NORWICH UNION INS. GROUP

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
998·0	698·7	Norwich U Gp Tst Fd	948·1	998·0

OPPENHEIMER FUND MANAGEMENT LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
43·5	34·1	Practical Inc. Units	40·8	43·5
76·4	58·9	Practical Acc. Units	71·6	76·5
28·5	22·2	American Growth Tst	26·0	27·7
42·2	38·8	Income & Growth	39·5	42·2
91·7	67·0	International	85·9	*91·7
36·2	26·5	Japan Growth Fd	34·7	37·0
54·1	42·0	Special Situations	50·8	54·1

PEARL TRUST MANAGERS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
97·2	75·3	Pearl Unit Trust	91·3	97·2
162·5	118·5	Pearl Unit Accum	152·7	162·5
69·0	53·8	Pearl Growth Fund	64·8	69·0
100·2	77·3	Pearl Growth Acc	94·1	100·2
88·9	64·6	Pearl Income Fund	83·4	88·9

PERPETUAL UNIT TST. MNGMNT.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
61·0	45·8	American Growth F.	56·7	60·9
183·3	137·8	Growth	170·7	183·3
136·3	99·2	Income	127·2	136·3
59·8	50·0	Int. Em'gi on	55·7	59·8

PROLIFIC UNIT TRUSTS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
61·3	50·0	Prolific Extra Inc	57·6	*61·3
137·7	93·5	Prolific Far Eastern	128·2	136·6
129·9	92·2	Prolific High Inc	122·1	129·8
94·6	70·3	Prolific Intnl	88·3	94·6
122·8	91·5	Prolific Nth Amer	114·1	122·3
148·2	102·4	Prolific Special Sits	139·3	148·2
137·6	108·3	Prolific Technology	126·9	136·0

PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRST MGRS LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
335·6	254·0	Prudential Units	315·5	335·6

QUILTER MANAGEMENT CO.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
358·0	267·3	Quadrant General	341·1	358·0
184·7	152·8	Quadrant Income	175·4	184·7
332·1	253·0	Quadrant Intnl Fd	315·4	332·1
205·3	162·7	Quadrant Rec. Fd	195·4	205·7
141·3	119·1	Wickmoor	123·2	127·2
219·0	173·7	Wickmoor Acc	211·3	219·0
126·9	106·4	Wickmoor Dividend	122·9	127·4
218·6	173·0	Wickmoor Div. Acc	210·9	218·6

RELIANCE UNIT MANAGERS LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
138·1	107·6	British Life	130·6	138·1
89·5	64·3	Balance Inc	58·0	89·5
111·9	82·6	Reliance Acc	104·8	111·9

RIDGEFIELD MANAGEMENT

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
115·9	89·3	Income Trust	102·1	*108·7
245·3	184·8	International	230·5	*245·3

ROTHSCHILD ASSET MNGMNT.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
302·3	224·4	N.C. America Inc	256·9	249·3
280·9	235·0	N.C. America Acc	254·1	264·9
356·7	248·9	N.C. Income Fund	319·9	336·7
138·4	98·5	N.C. Japan Fund	131·2	138·1
115·6	93·3	N.C. Smaller Co's	105·9	111·4

ROWAN UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
193·0	160·5	American	185·0	193·0
140·0	105·5	Far East	136·5	140·0
155·0	132·0	Fixed Interest Fund	145·5	146·5
129·5	112·5	High Interest Fund	116·5	*117·5
178·0	98·5	High Yield	124·5	138·0
270·0	212·0	Merlin Fund	268·0	*280·0
534·0	435·0	Securities Fund	515·0	530·0

ROYAL LIFE FUND MNGMNT. LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
49·3	37·1	Equity Trust	46·1	49·3
62·6	44·7	International Trust	58·7	62·4

ROYAL LONDON UNIT TRUST MNGRS. LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
54·4	48·9	Gilt Inc	49·7	*52·4
57·3	46·2	High Inc	53·8	57·3
67·3	49·7	Income & Growth	63·2	*67·3
75·0	52·9	Special Sits	69·3	75·0

SAVE & PROSPER SECURITIES

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
64·9	46·3	Amer. Inc. & Growth	60·7	64·9
91·3	69·3	Capital	85·4	*91·3
52·4	48·0	Commodity Share	54·2	57·6
53·9	49·0	Energy Industries	53·9	57·3
59·2	49·0	European Growth	55·6	59·1
45·3	35·0	Exploration Fund	35·3	37·5
68·1	52·5	Financial Securities	53·7	68·1
58·5	52·1	Gilt & Fixed Int. Inc	51·5	54·3
73·4	66·7	Gilt & Fixed Int. Gth	70·8	77·6
135·4	102·5	High Return	126·7	*134·7
119·5	90·2	High Yield	112·4	119·5
81·3	63·6	Income	76·6	81·4
71·7	50·4	Investment Trust	67·1	71·7
60·6	42·9	Japan Growth	55·5	60·0
90·6	62·5	Japan Smaller Co's	84·8	90·6
114·7	83·7	New Technology Fd	107·9	*114·7
96·1	76·6	Scotbits	89·7	*95·9
126·5	105·3	Scotshares	118·0	125·5
117·5	83·9	Scotyields	106·7	117·5
64·8	49·7	Select Intnl	60·7	64·9
119·2	94·4	Smaller Co's Inc. Fd	112·1	119·2
106·1	70·8	S.E. Asia Growth	97·6	103·8
76·4	58·4	Special Sits. Fund	71·5	76·4
142·2	103·6	U.K. Equity	135·0	142·2
73·8	58·3	Universal Growth	68·7	73·0
65·2	46·8	U.S. Growth	61·3	65·2

SCHRODER UNIT TRUST MNGRS LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
115·1	91·6	American Income	108·6	115·1
116·1	91·6	American Acc	109·0	116·1
81·6	59·1	Australian Income	67·7	72·1
85·2	58·1	Australian Acc	71·5	76·2
66·8	53·5	European	62·7	66·8
67·6	53·6	European Acc	63·5	67·6
59·4	51·2	Gilt & Fixed Int. Inc	54·4	56·2
77·0	68·1	Gilt & Fixed Int. Acc	69·7	73·5
136·3	101·3	Income Inc	127·9	*136·3
287·4	216·4	Income Acc	269·6	287·4
93·0	71·2	International Fd	87·3	93·0
127·3	94·8	Internatl. Fd. Acc	119·5	127·3
67·8	50·0	Japan Smaller Co's	63·6	67·8
69·4	51·3	Singapore&Malaysa Inc	74·4	79·3
82·3	74·8	Smaller Co's Income	102·7	*109·4
87·5	69·6	Special Sits. Inc	80·2	85·5
136·0	99·2	Tokyo Income	128·2	136·0
87·5	62·9	U.K. Equity	82·2	87·5
123·3	91·6	U.K. Equity Acc	115·7	123·3

SCOTTISH EQUITABLE FUND MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
127·1	102·3	Income	119·1	126·8
181·6	134·4	Accum	170·3	181·2

SCOTTISH UNIT MANAGERS LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
35·9	28·9	Scottish Income Fd	33·5	35·9
32·5	25·3	Scot. Nth. Amer. Fd	30·1	32·2
40·6	29·1	Scottish Pacific Fd	37·7	40·4
32·5	23·3	Scot World Grth. Fd	30·3	32·5

STEWART UNIT TST MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
192·9	152·9	American Fund	181·0	192·8
163·2	106·8	Australian Fund	119·7	127·5
399·4	308·8	British Capital Fund	375·0	399·4
177·9	140·4	European Fund	166·9	177·9
218·8	153·0	Japan Fund	205·2	218·6

SUN ALLIANCE FUND MNGMNT.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
353·0	248·9	Equity Trust	313·1	333·0
57·1	50·8	Far East Unit Trust	52·7	56·0
57·2	49·4	N. America Unit Tst	52·3	55·6

31 & TARGET FUND MNGRS LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
85·1	69·4	Small Co's Fund	79·0	84·3

TEMPLE BAR UNIT TRUST MNGRS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
41·7	36·2	Gilt Trust	37·6	39·0
50·0	38·1	High Income Trust	41·4	*44·5
114·7	84·9	North American	106·7	113·5
114·7	80·9	Recovery Trust	100·8	107·2
67·0	55·6	St. Vincent Hi. Inc.	64·2	67·0
71·3	50·0	St. VincentUSGth Fd	66·4	71·3

TARGET TRUST MANAGERS

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
77·6	60·4	American Eagle	72·5	*77·3
37·4	25·8	Australian Fund	30·5	*32·5
121·6	95·5	Commodity Fund	96·1	102·2
64·7	45·3	Energy	46·0	*49·2
104·1	74·3	Equity Fund	97·6	104·1
588·6	456·3	Equity Exempt	550·3	585·0
10·50	807·5	Equity Exempt Acc	989·9	10·55
96·9	82·0	Extra Income	90·6	96·9
203·1	150·4	Financial Fund	190·4	203·1
220·6	196·6	Gilt Capital Fund	201·2	210·7
113·2	101·1	Gilt Income	100·5	105·2
99·1	63·8	Gold Fund	64·5	72·8
175·8	114·2	Gold Fund Acc	115·2	122·9
60·4	44·5	Income Fund	56·0	*59·9
54·1	39·4	Japan Fund	49·6	52·9
36·5	29·0	Malaysia&Singapore	29·5	31·5
86·0	50·8	Pacific Fund	71·4	76·4
95·4	60·7	Pacific Re-invest	86·6	92·8
16·6	14·9	Preference Fund	14·8	*17·9
458·2	336·3	Professional Fund	429·6	*458·2
83·3	61·5	Target Spec. Sits	77·6	83·3
53·6	41·9	Technology	45·8	*49·0
52·3	41·6	U.S. Special Bond	49·0	51·7
118·7	88·1	Worldwide Cap. Fd	111·5	*118·7

TOUCHE, REMNANT UNIT TRUST MAGMNT. LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
27·9	22·0	TR Amer. Growth Fd	25·9	27·9
31·4	25·0	TR Global Technlgy	29·5	31·4
45·1	33·0	TR Income Gth. Fd	41·9	*45·1
39·7	36·1	TR Inc. Monthly Fd	37·6	40·0
40·0	30·3	TR Overseas Gth Fd	38·2	*40·0
35·2	25·0	TR Smaller Com. Fd	34·4	37·0
37·3	25·4	TR Special Opps. Fd	33·2	*35·3

TRANSATLANTIC & GEN. SECS.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
378·6	325·2	Colesco	361·2	373·4
590·0	438·7	Accum	570·6	590·0
215·9	159·7	FieldingAm&Gen Fd	192·2	215·9
228·7	176·5	FieldingAm&Gen Ac	205·9	228·7
184·7	143·3	Fielding Fund	172·0	184·7
197·6	151·8	Fielding Acc	184·0	197·6
130·2	107·0	Fielding Income	121·6	130·2
145·0	95·8	S & W American	137·7	145·0

T.S.B. UNIT TRUST

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
104·5	76·6	T.S.B. American	98·1	104·4
91·7	72·6	T.S.B. Extra Inc	86·1	91·7
127·8	93·9	T.S.B. General Inc	120·1	*127·8
202·4	147·8	T.S.B. General Acc	190·2	202·4
51·0	41·6	T.S.B. Gilt & Fix Int	44·3	*46·3
165·8	124·2	T.S.B. Income	155·8	*165·8
250·6	194·0	T.S.B. Intnl. (Scot)	235·5	250·6
302·3	232·4	T.S.B. Int.Ac. (Scot)	284·1	302·3
129·8	91·2	T.S.B. Pacific Inc	120·7	128·3
52·6	37·6	T.S.B. Select.Op.Ac	49·4	52·6

TYNDALL MANAGERS LTD.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
80·0	61·5	Australian Sec. Fund	70·4	75·4
283·8	224·2	Capital Fund	267·6	*285·8
485·8	378·6	Accum	458·9	488·8
228·6	199·2	Exempt Fund	214·2	226·2
480·6	397·2	Accum	452·2	480·6
149·4	111·4	Far Eastern	138·4	146·6
39·7	32·4	Fin. & Property	37·2	39·7
59·3	57·6	Fin. & Property Acc	55·6	59·3
115·0	105·4	Gilt Capital Trust	108·8	113·1
112·0	100·6	Gilt Income	101·5	*105·4
42·4	33·8	High Yield	38·8	41·4
95·4	64·1	High Yield Acc	90·1	95·4
179·2	145·6	Income Fund	168·0	*179·2
516·8	393·2	Accum	487·4	516·8
138·6	108·4	Intnl. Earnings Fd	130·0	138·6
194·8	149·8	Accum	182·8	194·8
67·1	53·3	Internat. Gwth. Fnd	61·3	65·3
79·1	60·6	Japan Gwth. Fd. Acc	73·8	79·1
241·4	177·6	Natural Resources	198·8	211·8
337·6	249·6	Accum	279·4	297·6
118·8	95·0	N. American Gth	108·6	*115·7
134·0	107·7	N. Amer. Gth. Acc	124·9	133·7
115·8	104·6	Preference Fund	102·0	108·8
255·4	126·0	Pref. Accum	233·2	248·4
315·8	251·6	Scottish Income	296·4	*315·8
146·9	132·1	Smaller Companies	137·8	146·9
190·2	156·9	Smaller Comp. Acc	178·5	190·2
83·7	68·9	Special Situations	77·8	83·9

UNIT TRUST ACCOUNT & MNGMT.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
109·2	76·3	Friars House Fd	102·6	*109·2

WARDLEY UNIT TRUST MNGRS LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
71·8	52·3	American Tst	66·7	71·8
44·8	33·2	Australia	40·6	*43·9
75·8	55·8	Far East & Gen	71·1	75·7
63·1	44·0	Income Tst	58·6	63·1
77·3	54·1	Japan Grth	71·8	77·2
61·6	42·4	Nat. Resources	50·6	53·9
113·6	92·8	Smaller Company's	105·6	113·6
46·6	30·4	Technology	37·7	40·8
103·0	71·5	U.K. Trust	95·6	103·0

WIELER (ANTHONY) & CO.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
64·2	50·5	Wieler Growth Fund	59·7	64·2
87·0	66·0	Accum	80·9	87·0

INSURANCE, PROPERTY, BONDS, ETC.

ABBEY LIFE ASSURANCE CO.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
86·9	62·8	Equity Series I	82·5	86·9
251·5	201·8	Property Series I	219·1	236·5
89·8	71·2	Equity Accum Ser. 4	85·3	89·8
295·6	242·8	Property Acc. Ser. 4	270·9	285·6
216·2	186·5	Selective Acc. Ser. 4	205·6	216·2
232·1	172·5	American Series 4	220·4	232·1
95·7	73·8	Equity Series 4	90·9	95·7
172·9	152·8	Fixed Interest Ser. 4	156·9	165·2
236·0	175·2	High Income Ser. 4	214·7	226·0
117·7	101·1	Indexed Inv. Ser. 4	106·8	112·5
305·5	258·7	Managed Series 4	290·2	305·5
184·0	174·7	Money Series 4	175·4	184·7
231·3	226·5	Property Series 4	218·9	230·5
590·0	452·2	Pensions Equity	551·0	580·0
176·3	155·3	Pensions Fixed Int	160·2	168·7
119·5	104·6	Pens. Indexed Inv	108·7	114·5
497·3	414·5	Pensions Managed	472·3	497·3
365·9	346·9	Pensions Property	347·8	365·9
396·8	271·8	Pensions Security	285·7	300·7
223·4	193·4	Pensions Selective	212·2	223·4

ALBANY LIFE ASSURANCE CO.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
575·1	445·5	Equity Fund Acc	547·1	576·1
868·4	651·8	Equity Pen. Acc	844·0	888·4
269·8	241·0	Fixed Int. Acc	251·9	264·8
474·4	418·7	Fixed Int. Pen. Acc	425·3	448·7
277·6	210·6	Intnl. Man. Accum	263·2	277·0
361·8	216·2	Intnl. Man. Pen. Acc	343·9	360·4
178·3	130·8	Japan Fund	169·0	177·8
198·7	135·9	Japan Fund Pen	188·2	198·0
431·1	353·8	Mult. Inv. Acc	409·6	431·1
710·0	555·4	Mult. Inv. Pen. Acc	674·5	710·0
142·2	113·8	North American Fd.	135·0	142·2
197·5	136·2	Property Fund Acc	187·6	197·5
378·5	241·7	Prop. Pension Acc	364·6	378·5

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1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
		ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES (C.I.)		
78-37	78-9	Government Secs T.	74-6	78-2
		BARCLAYS LIFE ASSURANCE CO.		
159-2	115-1	America Accum.	150-4	158-4
143-4	102-5	Australia Accum.	142-3	149-5
290-5	243-9	Barc'ay Bond	277-8	292-5
333-9	256-7	Equity Acc.	317-2	333-9
169-7	126-6	Gilt-Edged Acc.	155-0	163-3
21-5	18-4	International Acc.	201-7	215-5
249-8	201-9	Managed Acc.	237-3	249-6
161-8	133-6	Money Acc.	156-8	164-8
212-8	179-2	Property Acc.	202-1	212-8
173-8	121-0	Deposit Acc.	167-0	175-8
162-4	128-8	Financial Acc.	154-2	162-4
159-3	126-6	Pru "A" Acc.	151-8	159-3
219-3	219-4	Gilt-Edged Pen. Acc	2.2-5	214-3
217-2	169-1	Greater Pacific Acc.	206-3	217-2
27-5	20-5	Managed Pen. Acc.	326-3	324-6
221-7	220-4	Money Pen. Acc.	210-6	221-7
		BARCLAYS UNICORN INTNL (I.O.M.)		
95-6	74-8	Uni-Australian	91-9	*96-9
81-9	58-1	Uni-Aust. Mineral	59-1	62-9
226-3	175-5	Uni-Pacific	210-4	223-8
97-8	74-2	Uni-International	91-9	97-8
		BRITANNIC UNIT LINKED ASSURANCE LTD.		
175-8	136-8	Britannic Man.Fund	165-4	174-2
112-0	107-1	Britannic Prop. Fd.	105-8	111-4
		CANNON ASSURANCE		
148	85.63	Equ by Unit	—	*98-92
87-1	62-0	Equity Acc.	—	87-1
426-1	356-5	Managed Acc.	—	426-1
118-95	117-52	Property Unit	118-95	—
128-20	124-81	Bal.Fnd. Acc. Unit	126-99	128-46
135-12	126-05	Gentlr Bond Exec.	131-39	133-12
126-28	120-01	Prop. Bond Exec.	124-83	126-28
214-8	166-6	Sec. Amer can Acc.	203-0	214-8
258-3	210-2	Sec. Equ by Acc.	241-3	255-3
131-0	100-0	Sec. Far East Acc.	125-3	131-0
165-0	148-6	Sec. Gilt Acc.	150-6	158-7
218-0	157-0	Sec. High Inc. Acc.	204-1	218-0
214-0	159-7	Sec. Intnl. Man. Acc.	158-0	149-2
204-9	178-3	Sec. Managed Acc.	193-6	204-9
198-2	165-0	Sec. Property Acc.	187-3	198-2
325-1	221-6	Sec. Am. Pens. Acc.	307-2	325-1
379-5	296-4	Sec. Bal'd. Pens. Acc	358-9	379-5
134-8	101-0	Sec. Far E. Pens. Acc	127-5	134-8
216-6	177-4	Sec. High Inc Pens Ac	203-6	216-6
256-8	185-6	Sec Int Man Pens Ac	208-5	218-5
276-5	229-7	Sec. Man. Pens. Acc.	261-2	276-5
265-7	235-3	Sec. Prop. Pens. Acc.	246-2	265-7
91-6	78-0	L. & K.S.I.P.	86-5	91-5
60-5	55-0	L. & K.S.I.P. (1)	57-0	60-5
		CHIEFTAIN ASSURANCE		
217-4	158-1	American	177-5	186-9
183-3	130-5	Basic Resources	138-5	151-2
202-1	180-1	Far Eastern	196-3	206-8
141-3	116-6	High Income	127-1	133-6
162-0	137-4	Income & Growth	152-1	160-2
163-6	139-5	International	154-5	162-7
227-2	173-0	Managed Growth	205-2	216-0
199-8	91-7	Managed Income	192-0	197-4

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
		CITY OF WESTMINSTER ASSURANCE		
178-2	151-7	Equity Fund	165-0	173-7
123-0	112-3	Gilt Fund	123-3	129-8
127-9	110-3	Nat. Resources Fd.	121-5	127-9
		above prices for policies issued after 1.11.1980		
		COMMERCIAL UNION GROUP		
125-3	110-5	Fixed Interest	114-9	121-0
163-2	130-6	International Equity	155-0	163-2
183-4	136-3	Managed	174-2	183-4
167-6	138-3	U.K. Equity	179-8	187-6
		CONTINENTAL LIFE INSURANCE		
211-5	174-4	Life Man. Fund Acc.	200-9	211-5
226-9	134-9	Pen. Man. Fund Acc.	215-5	226-9
		CORNHILL INSURANCE		
188-5	135-0	Equity Fund	179-0	188-5
135-9	131-0	Fixed Interest Fund	134-5	140-0
414-5	326-0	Managed Fund	395-5	414-5
142-5	128-0	Money Fund	135-5	142-5
		CRITERION ASSURANCE GROUP		
119-8	100-0	Criterion Man. Fd.	112-8	118-6
37-0	29-8	Prem. Man. Cap.	35-1	37-0
40-3	32-7	Pens. Man. Acc.	38-2	40-3
—	—	Pens. Guar. Dep. Cap	—	—
28-9	27-4	Pens. Guar. Dep. Acc	28-4	29-9
		CROWN LIFE ASSURANCE		
180-8	152-0	Fixed Income	171-8	180-8
264-4	214-7	Equity Fund Acc.	250-2	264-4
201-5	178-8	Fixed Int. Fd. Acc.	193-8	198-6
253-2	186-8	Intnl. Fund Acc.	240-7	253-3
306-6	243-9	Inv. Tst. Fd. Acc.	291-3	306-6
254-6	211-3	Managed Fund Acc.	241-9	254-6
161-6	150-0	Money Fund Acc.	153-6	161-6
166-8	149-8	Property Fund Acc.	158-5	166-8
		EAGLE STAR INS. MIDLAND ASS'CE		
154-4	118-4	Eagle/Midland	127-4	134-6
		EQUITY & LAW LIFE ASS'CE		
212-0	139-3	Fixed Interest Fund	198-4	206-7
164-3	156-4	Gutd. Deposit Fund	159-1	164-5
292-4	242-4	Mixed Fund	271-2	285-4
232-4	222-7	Property Fund	230-3	242-4
350-4	276-8	U.K. Equities Fund	330-3	350-4
		FRIENDS PROVIDENT LINKED LIFE		
114-9	101-2	Fixed Interest Ass.	101-6	110-0
128-1	106-5	Mixed Ass.	121-6	128-1
139-0	108-3	Overseas Equity Ass	122-5	129-0
116-7	104-3	Property Ass.	110-7	116-7
147-2	112-8	U.K. Equity Ass.	139-8	147-2
		G.T. MANAGEMENT (U.K.) LIMITED LONDON AGENTS		
38-57	37-57	Anchor Intnl.	38-14	*38-15
		G R E LINKED LIFE ASSURANCE LTD		
153-5	144-8	Deposit Acc.	146-8	153-5
416-5	315-8	Equity Acc.	385-7	416-5
250-8	215-6	Fixed Interest Acc.	228-2	241-0
93-2	83-2	Index-Linked Gilt Acc	87-8	92-0
326-4	238-2	International Acc.	309-8	326-1
273-1	233-7	Managed Initial	264-1	278-1
317-5	248-6	Managed Acc.	301-1	317-5
131-0	98-4	North Amer. Acc.	125-5	132-1
141-4	105-5	Pacific Acc.	134-1	141-3
148-8	145-4	Property Acc.	140-8	148-2

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
		GRESHAM UNIT ASSURANCE LTD		
288-8	288-8	Managed Fund	322-3	339-5
213-5	225-2	Equity Fund	208-0	213-5
131-3	117-3	Fixed Int. Fd.	122-0	128-6
173-8	166-8	Money Fund	165-2	173-8
195-0	183-8	Property Fd.	185-1	195-0
278-2	224-9	Fram. American	256-5	270-2
292-7	235-3	Fram. Global	287-1	292-7
277-5	202-7	Fram. Income	253-5	277-5
305-8	250-1	Fram. Int. Growth	280-0	305-8
198-5	158-0	Fram. Recovery Tst.	188-2	198-5
		HAMBRO LIFE ASSURANCE		
217-8	169-0	H. Amer. Equity Fd.	201-9	217-8
164-3	125-0	H. American Man.	156-0	164-3
180-4	107-6	H. American Prop.	134-5	150-4
423-0	417-5	Hambro Equity	406-8	422-0
128-1	107-1	H. Fixed Int. Dep.	116-6	128-1
240-3	217-6	H. Gilt Edge	222-3	234-1
277-2	229-3	H. Managed Cap	263-5	277-2
435-1	370-4	H. Managed Accum.	418-3	435-1
349-8	271-0	H. Ocean Earnings Acc	330-4	347-8
315-8	272-9	H. Property	302-2	315-8
131-6	91-5	H. Pen. Am. Eq. Acc	125-6	131-6
223-5	171-7	H. Pen. Equity Acc.	209-5	223-5
138-5	89-9	H. Pen. Far East Acc	125-8	138-5
334-3	305-5	H. Pen. F.I. Acc.	317-5	334-3
354-2	285-5	H. Pen Gt. Edged Acc	336-6	352-2
101-3	70-1	H. Pen. Man. Acc.	81-5	95-8
110-4	100-0	H. Pen. Mortg. Acc.	104-8	110-4
699-6	577-3	H. Pen. Prop. Acc.	597-1	629-6
		HEARTS OF OAK BENEFIT SOCIETY		
159-3	136-0	Managed Fund	143-0	159-9
		HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION		
250-5	185-1	Far East	237-9	250-5
225-0	185-7	Managed	215-8	225-0
260-6	197-6	North American	248-8	261-0
221-4	181-7	Special Situations	210-3	221-4
		HILL SAMUEL LIFE ASSURANCE		
368-6	330-6	Managed Units	370-1	389-6
128-8	100-0	Man. Series A	112-3	124-0
149-9	140-9	Man. Series C	144-5	152-2
204-7	182-7	Money Units	194-7	204-7
160-8	152-0	Money Series A	153-7	160-8
245-0	195-1	Equity Series A	232-7	245-0
191-4	167-5	Fixed Int. Series A	170-6	179-6
		HODGE LIFE ASSURANCE CO.		
218-5	185-5	Hodge Bonds	206-7	217-8
191-9	170-1	Takeover Fund	182-5	191-9
		IMPERIAL LIFE ASSURANCE		
209-2	157-6	Growth Fund	192-6	202-2
211-3	175-3	Pension Managed Fd	198-8	210-5
334-2	248-3	Equity Fund	317-5	334-2
201-2	178-1	Fixed Int. Fd.	185-2	195-8
255-9	192-9	Managed Fund	229-6	242-0
163-8	146-2	Property Fund	155-6	163-8
		IRISH LIFE ASSURANCE		
136-3	119-3	Global Fund	124-5	136-3
495-5	427-5	Managed Fund	471-7	495-5

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		LEGAL & GENERAL (UNIT ASS'CE)		
128-3	125-2	Cash Initial	121-9	128-3
141-8	137-4	Cash Accum.	133-7	141-8
353-5	274-4	Equity Initial	346-2	364-8
459-6	355-6	Equity Accum.	438-8	459-6
235-0	208-7	Fixed Initial	214-3	225-5
295-3	252-3	Fixed Accum.	278-1	294-4
202-5	181-6	Intnl. Initial	212-2	223-5
277-5	231-4	Intnl. Acc.	263-2	277-2
280-8	239-1	Managed Initial	266-7	280-8
297-3	250-7	Managed Accum.	282-4	296-7
153-8	144-7	Property Initial	146-1	153-8
194-1	176-6	Property Accum	184-3	194-1
		LIBERTY LIFE ASSURANCE		
56-3	52-0	Global Growth Fund	53-4	56-1
50-8	45-5	Key Fund	47-0	49-4
37-5	34-4	Sal. Sec. 'A'	29-1	27-8
26-8	25-8	Salisc Security Fund	24-6	26-0
119-2	108-2	Sperlbond Fund	112-5	118-5
23-8	19-3	Blue Chip Fund	22-6	23-8
20-0	18-8	Fixed Yield Fund	19-5	20-7
19-2	15-8	Guaranteed Man. Fd	15-9	18-8
21-0	19-2	Managed Fund	20-7	21-8
		LLOYD'S LIFE ASSURANCE		
211-8	187-9	Opt. 8 Dep. 'A' Fd.	200-9	211-5
369-3	305-0	Opt. 6 Equity 'A' Fd.	353-0	369-3
269-9	263-2	Opt. 8 H. Yld. 'A' Fd	265-6	279-0
351-4	311-9	Opt. 8 Man. 'A' Fd.	338-1	351-4
279-1	251-1	Opt. 8 Prop. 'A' Fd.	252-2	266-0
117-6	110-2	High Inc. Tst. Fd.	111-1	117-6
		LONDON & INDEMNITY & GENERAL INSURANCE		
76-3	67-4	Money Manager	71-8	76-3
65-0	56-5	Money Man. Flexible	61-7	65-0
		LONDON LIFE LINKED ASSURANCE LIMITED		
313-3	255-2	Equity	—	313-3
184-1	162-1	Fixed Interest	—	177-1
152-4	136-5	International	—	146-1
236-8	198-9	Mixed	—	236-8
187-5	172-6	Property	—	187-5
		LONDON LIFE MANAGED FUNDS LTD.		
187-8	171-5	Equity (P)	—	187-8
187-6	172-2	Fixed Interest (P)	—	181-1
152-4	136-5	International (P)	—	150-0
133-6	104-5	International (P)	—	133-6
193-1	172-6	Mixed (P)	—	193-1
145-3	128-2	Property (P)	—	145-2
		LONDON & MANCHESTER GROUP		
542-5	464-1	Capital Growth Fd	—	543-5
231-1	198-4	Flexible Fund	—	231-1
154-8	147-8	Guaranteed Dep. Fd.	—	154-8
297-2	211-8	Investment Trust Fund	—	297-2
201-2	156-6	Money Maker Fund	—	201-1
131-8	128-1	Property Fund	—	131-8
		MANUFACTURERS' LIFE INS. CO.		
128-8	100-5	Investment	125-8	132-3
176-4	160-0	Deposit	166-5	174-2
314-3	254-0	Equity	296-4	314-3
206-9	185-9	Gilt Edged	196-5	206-9
264-3	208-8	International	251-1	264-3
253-4	231-1	Managed	278-7	253-4
229-8	197-1	Property	216-1	227-6

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		MERCHANT INVESTORS ASSURANCE		
221-8	190-5	Conv. Deposit Bond	205-8	205-8
136-1	108-6	Equity Bond	—	136-1
216-5	187-2	Managed Bond	—	216-5
254-6	235-1	Money Market Bond	—	249-9
220-3	207-5	Property Bond	—	220-3
248-9	206-2	Intnl. Equity	—	248-9
251-8	191-8	Intnl. Managed	—	251-8
128-7	108-6	North America	—	128-7
		M. & G. GROUP		
179-7	164-8	America Bond	179-8	179-8
215-6	173-7	American Recovery	222-4	233-6
139-0	101-2	Australasian	118-4	124-4
143-8	133-1	Commodity	143-5	150-6
201-4	190-2	Convert. Deposit Bd	191-7	201-4
182-4	149-4	Equity Bonus	173-8	182-4
409-5	395-2	Equity Accum	409-0	409-5
216-4	152-9	Extra Yield Bonds	226-0	216-4
530-5	444-0	Family Bnds (1982-84)	529-1	—
141-7	110-8	Far Eastern	133-2	140-0
211-4	184-9	Gilt Bond	198-9	201-7
172-9	151-8	High Yield Bond	161-6	172-9
295-2	224-1	International Bonds	272-5	295-2
146-9	98-7	Japan Bonds	139-0	146-0
436-4	387-5	Managed Bonds	388-2	336-4
117-4	91-2	Mirror Bonds	117-1	—
101-9	082-3	Pens. Pension	—	102-8
265-0	252-3	Property Fund	253-1	265-0
187-5	143-4	Recovery Bond	178-5	187-5
		N E L PENSIONS LTD.		
367-3	290-3	Nelex Equity Accum	345-0	367-3
		NEW ZEALAND INSURANCE Plc.		
280-7	222-8	Kiwi Adv Inv. Plan	263-3	280-7
301-5	234-9	American	280-8	294-5
179-2	149-2	Deposit	149-9	157-4
187-6	176-9	Gilt	177-2	186-5
168-0	131-4	Hien Inc. Exp. Dist.	159-6	168-0
116-6	100-9	High Inc. Wt Int Dist	108-0	116-3
311-4	325-9	Gold	311-4	326-7
179-3	151-1	Property	153-1	161-1
178-9	143-0	U.K. Equity	169-9	178-9
		NORWICH UNION INS. GROUP		
185-5	172-8	Norwich Deposit Fd.	174-4	185-5
110-2	85-6	Norwich Equity Fd.	97-1	110-2
207-2	171-1	Norwich Fix. Int. I	188-5	198-6
248-6	177-8	Norwich Managed Fd	221-8	248-6
279-8	256-2	Norwich Property Fd	265-8	279-8
		PHOENIX ASSURANCE CO.		
231-6	194-2	Wealth Assured Bds.	216-9	231-6
		PROPERTY EQUITY AND LIFE ASS. CO.		
140-2	107-4	R.A. Beauty Bond	—	140-2
225-8	220-1	R.S. Flex. Man. Bd.	—	225-8
139-9	109-7	R.S. Managed Bond	—	132-8
109-8	102-5	Int. Managed Cur. Fd	—	109-8
		PROPERTY GROWTH ASSURANCE		
552-8	404-7	Equity Fund	558-8	552-8
541-6	395-3	Equity Fund (A)	541-6	541-6
198-9	186-9	Gilt Edged Fund	198-9	198-9
205-9	185-9	Gilt Edged Fund (A)	198-9	205-9
194-5	235-6	Intnl. Fund	194-5	194-5
294-5	256-1	Intnl. Fund (A)	294-5	294-5
139-8	141-5	Investment Fd. (A)	139-8	139-8
155-8	141-5	Investment Fd. (A)	155-8	155-8
237-0	209-0	Money Fund	237-0	237-0
232-0	225-0	Money Fund (A)	232-0	232-0

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		PROVIDENCE CAP. LIFE ASS'CE		
135-5	112-6	Equity Acc.	128-2	135-5
109-7	91-6	Fixed Int. Acc.	91-3	99-5
96-3	78-4	Intnl. Acc.	87-9	96-1
159-4	94-9	Managed Acc.	104-7	110-4
139-1	120-4	Property Acc.	131-8	139-1
65-5	63-3	Special Market Fund	61-0	65-5
		PROVIDENT LIFE ASSOC. OF LONDON LTD.		
655-0	462-0	Plus Units	576-8	655-0
		PROVINCIAL LIFE ASS'CE		
218-8	156-0	High Income	208-4	218-6
185-4	125-4	Interest-Coml	165-0	182-4
239-3	200-1	Managed	343-4	358-3
255-8	188-5	North American	222-9	234-9
254-9	208-0	Technology	241-1	256-5
		PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE CO. LTD.		
141-8	118-0	Prufund Managed F.	136-2	146-0
		PRUDENTIAL PENSIONS LTD.		
176-75	158-00	Equity Fund	173-66	175-97
108-20	102-10	Fixed Interest Fund	103-44	104-19
134-41	130-55	Consolidated Fund	133-98	134-41
156-97	153-28	Property Fund	157-10	158-87
113-19	101-34	Cash	113-12	113-12
167-1	154-1	Managed	179-5	187-1
131-8	119-8	Cash Fund	126-6	131-8
		REFUGE INVESTMENTS LTD.		
178-9	159-1	Managed	169-7	177-6
144-3	131-6	Property	136-8	144-1
		RELIANCE MUTUAL INSURANCE		
177-6	141-9	Equity Fund	168-7	177-6
166-8	140-2	Managed Fd.	158-1	166-2
		ROWAN UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT		
376-4	134-3	Rowan Bond	340-4	387-3
		ROYAL INSURANCE GROUP		
485-2	346-6	Royal Shield	421-9	423-2
		ROYAL LONDON MUTUAL INS. SOC. LTD.		
203-0	170-5	R.L. Mixed Fund	192-3	202-8
		SAVE & PROSPER GROUP		
311-6	265-9	Balanced Invest.	294-4	311-6
236-7	187-6	Deposit Fund	195-3	206-7
70-2	59-7	Equity Pension Fd.	66-3	70-2
250-5	224-3	Gilt Fund	232-0	245-6
99-8	79-6	Global Equity Fund	94-1	99-0
69-9	62-8	Global Pension	71-4	75-8
67-7	52-4	Managed Pension Fd	62-9	67-3
305-1	268-5	Property Fund	288-3	305-1
60-0	55-7	Property Pension Fd	57-7	60-0
		SCOTTISH AMICABLE INVESTMENTS		
139-1	120-6	Cash	121-6	128-1
139-9	105-9	Equity	128-4	139-9
141-6	125-3	Fixed Interest	125-1	133-2
202-2	169-4	International	189-0	202-2
196-4	166-4	Managed	166-5	196-4
126-7	118-6	Property	125-3	126-7
		SCOTTISH WIDOWS FUND LIFE ASS'CE		
328-0	286-8	Invest. Policy Sec. I	278-0	328-0
320-0	280-3	Invest. Policy Sec. II	304-3	320-0
316-2	258-2	Invest. Policy Sec. III	304-3	316-2
167-9	157-6	Invest. Cash	158-5	167-9

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		SCHRODER LIFE GROUP		
207-9	177-3	American (5)	197-4	207-9
185-9	163-7	Deposit (4)	165-1	185-9
608-7	553-1	Equity (4)	578-1	608-7
267-1	245-0	Fixed Int. (4)	253-9	267-1
151-8	135-8	Gilt & Fixed Int. (4)	138-5	146-6
213-0	189-0	Income Dist. (4)	203-5	213-0
373-3	339-0	Income Accum. (4)	358-5	373-3
204-4	163-0	International (4)	191-1	204-4
321-2	272-8	Managed (4)	305-1	321-2
207-3	171-7	Overseas (4)	196-8	207-3
289-9	262-0	Property (4)	253-6	258-9
265-0	201-1	Smaller Cos (4)	251-6	265-0
335-2	178-9	Tokyo (4)	228-4	234-2
135-5	106-3	Deposit Pension (C)	114-2	123-5
261-7	222-2	Equity Pensions (C)	243-9	261-7
253-9	196-2	Fixed Int. Pen. (C)	205-6	216-5
128-5	109-4	Guaranteed Pen. (C)	116-8	123-0
118-7	93-5	Index-Link Int Pen	97-8	105-0
98-7	86-0	Managed Pension (C)	90-6	98-7
254-8	221-9	Property Pensions (C)	230-7	254-0
213-5	185-7	Spec Exempt Pen (C)	208-8	213-5
		SKANDIA LIFE ASS.		
192-0	159-5	Equity Acc.	182-4	192-0
157-4	143-1	Gilt Fund Acc.	147-8	155-8
229-1	175-2	International Acc.	198-6	209-1
179-3	156-4	Managed Acc.	173-4	179-4
		STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO.		
268-7	241-9	Managed Fund	265-2	268-7
333-1	255-7	Pen. Managed Fund	313-4	333-1
		SUN ALLIANCE LINKED LIFE INS.		
306-0	264-1	Equity Fund	278-2	306-0
231-8	204-2	Fixed Int. Fund	211-7	222-9
257-4	230-9	International Fd.	243-1	255-9
306-7	248-4	Managed Fund	288-7	306-7
242-2	225-6	Property Fund	230-2	242-6
439-72	371-73	Intnl. Bond	—	439-72
		SUN LIFE ASS. CO. OF CANADA (U.K.)		
398-4	305-1	Maple Leaf Equity P	—	398-4
564-8	456-9	Maple Leaf Growth P	—	564-8
221-1	179-1	Maple Leaf Man. Fd.	—	221-1
382-6	303-9	Pens. Pen. Plan	—	378-5
309-4	176-8	Pension Man. Cap.	297-6	309-0
258-7	236-4	Pension Man. Acc.	248-9	254-0
		SUN LIFE UNIT ASSURANCE LTD.		
169-5	160-4	Cash	163-8	169-5
155-6	115-4	Distribution	142-5	150-0
446-1	358-9	Equity	422-7	446-1
192-0	171-7	Fixed Interest	175-0	184-3
250-1	212-5	International	225-6	250-2
333-2	274-8	Managed	316-5	333-2
236-0	168-7	Property	196-1	205-4
		TARGET LIFE ASSURANCE		
225-4	139-7	Deposit Fd. Inc	118-3	124-6
155-9	152-7	Fixed Int. Fd. Inc	152-8	159-8
237-5	212-8	Gilt Fen Fd. Cap	214-4	225-7
316-2	278-5	Gilt Fen Fd. Acc	298-4	301-7
464-5	464-5	Man Pen Fd. Cap	375-7	402-4
338-1	322-5	Man Pen Fd. Acc	325-1	338-1
203-6	179-0	Managed Fd. Inc	191-2	203-6
328-6	286-6	Managed Fd. Acc	311-2	328-6
217-2	157-6	Ret. Plan Cap	197-7	211-0
324-1	253-2	Ret. Plan Acc	303-8	324-1

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		TEACHERS ASSURANCE		
107-9	115-6	Cash Fund	107-9	115-6
119-1	106-2	Gilt & Fixed Int. Fd.	109-0	114-7
136-6	114-5	Managed Fund	129-7	136-9
		TRANSINTERNATIONAL LIFE INS. CO.		
437-3	158-7	Tulip Inres Fund	413-5	437-3
325-7	233-3	T.I.C.O. Managed Fund	325-5	325-7
231-8	183-3	Managed Bond Fund	219-8	231-8
342-5	277-4	Managed Pen. Cap (1)	325-4	342-5
441-2	355-3	Managed Pen. Acc (1)	419-2	441-2
317-3	193-1	Managed Inv. Initial	296-2	317-3
351-8	226-7	Managed Inv. Acc.	339-5	351-8
		TRIDENT LIFE ASSURANCE CO.		
82-0	78-3	Trident Bonds	81-1	81-7
226-0	191-6	American	223-1	224-9
250-8	229-9	Fixed	242-5	248-1
225-4	198-1	Gtd. Edged	207-5	218-8
299-7	257-6	Growth Accum	289-7	299-7
111-7	99-0	Henderson Active	110-4	116-3
214-0	205-0	High Yield	209-1	214-0
175-8	155-1	International	174-4	185-7
268-8	222-8	Managed	247-4	260-8
307-5	237-8	Property	292-9	307-5
339-8	285-2	Pens. Equity Acc.	328-4	339-8
253-4	221-5	Pens. Gilt Edged Acc.	242-8	245-6
350-8	295-0	Pens. Managed Acc.	331-1	350-8
313-3	272-5	Pens. Property Acc.	297-5	313-3
116-0	98-0	Personal Active	110-1	116-0
115-0	105-0	Swiss Bond Fund	106-0	115-0
274-0	225-1	U.K. Equity Fd.	253-2	274-0
115-4	107-2	Woolwich Fund	109-5	115-7
		TYNDALL ASSURANCE LTD.		
191-0	183-0	Property Fund	—	184-7
208-7	229-0	5-way Fund	—	208-7
		VANBRUGH LIFE ASSURANCE		
188-9	168-2	Cash Fund	188-9	188-9
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COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

Rodamco lifts Haslemere stake

RODAMCO N.V., the property fund of the Dutch-based Robeco Group of investment funds which has £5·2 billion cash under its management, has increased its holding in Haslemere Estates from 9·19 p.c. of the equity to 10·64 p.c. comprising 2·95 million shares.

At yesterday's unchanged price of Haslemere of 490p the Rodamco stake is valued at around £14·45 million. The Dutch investor appears to be making almost monthly purchases of Haslemere shares and is steadily building up a substantial stake.

Haslemere has a substantial portfolio of offices in the City including a number of listed properties refurbished to high standards.

Recent revenue results from the group have been disappointing. The profits downturn recorded at the last year end was mirrored at the interim stage.

Richard Ellis forms specialist division

By BRUCE KINLOCH

IN one of the most important moves in the property industry for many years Richard Ellis, ranked number two among firms of international agents, have formed a separate company, Richard Ellis Financial Services, to provide a specialist range of services for institutions, developers, owner-occupiers, national and multinational corporations and taxpaying investors.

These services will fall into four broad categories—property finance, corporate property advice, tax-related finance and international advice. While they are currently undertaken by Ellis and other firms on a broad basis there has been no detailed advice provided to clients.

As the property market has developed, so the need has increased for professional advice on the provision of sophisticated funding arrangements for real estate projects where conventional long-term institutional funding is not readily available or appropriate.

In addition, the growing appreciation that real estate is both a tangible and financial asset has increased the demand for innovative property advice to ensure its effective and profitable contribution to a company's performance.

For example, advice is increasingly sought where companies are involved in takeovers, mergers or flotations, extending beyond pure asset valuations so as to achieve the most beneficial results for clients.

Ellis are not trying to muscle in on the merchant banks but rather to give far more detailed advice on all aspects of property alongside that of other advisers.

Last September Ellis acted for Wates City of London Properties and Morgan Grenfell in Wates' offer for sale of Ordinary shares, and the advice offered on that occasion by Ellis was far more detailed and comprehensive than would have normally been carried out by a merchant banker or stockbroker in an "offer for sale."

More recently the firm have advised Slough Estates and Charterhouse Japhet in connection with the issue of a debenture stock by Slough. It also advised Slough on its recommended merger with Allnatt London Properties and Guildhall Property.

In the area of tax-related finance the firm state that the structuring of a funding package in the most tax efficient way is critical. According to Andrew Huntley, who heads the new team, a number of property investment opportunities are available which are ideally suited to the tax paying investor.

One of these includes investment in Enterprise Zones or through Business Expansion Schemes which can provide tax effective investment opportunities.

The new Richard Ellis Financial Services operation will eventually be located in the City, probably in Haslemere's Bury Court House, where it is looking for some 20,000 sq.ft. of space.

U.S. deal for British Land

MANUFACTURERS Hanover Trust has leased four floors of British Land's building at 90, Broad Street, Lower Manhattan, through the downtown office of Jones Lang Wootton.

In the deal 54,327 sq ft of offices are involved and according to Land's chairman, a rent of about $1·5 million (£1·35 million) or $27¼60 a sq ft (£24·50 a sq ft) was achieved.

The building contains a total of 532,000 sq ft of offices whics are being refurbished by British Land.

Bishopsgate's £8m price tag

THE headquarters building o Provident Life Association of London at 266 Bishopsgate in the City, has been priced at £8 million by agents Dron & Wright, the firm appointed to sell the freehold property on the anticipated move by the Association to its new headquarters in Basingstoke.

Kershaw's new post

PETER KERSHAW rejoins Stuart Lipton to work on the Liverpool Street Station site. He leaves St Martins Property Corporation where he has been working on the London Bridge development.

Mr Kershaw was previously employed by Greycoat Estates, he now joins Stanhope Securities, the new company controlled by Mr Lipton.

Increase in investment

INVESTMENT in property by institutions in the third quarter of 1984 was only marginally up at £394 million against £340 million for the corresponding period of 1983. But the Government figures show that the long term insurance funds have recovered from the effects of "switching" which caused some of them to sell properties to repay withdrawing unitholders.

Net property investment by the long term funds rose from £153 million to £230 million but investment by pension funds fel from £142 million in the third quarter of 1983 to £115 million. It is unlikely that the fourth quarter figures will show much increase in property investment.

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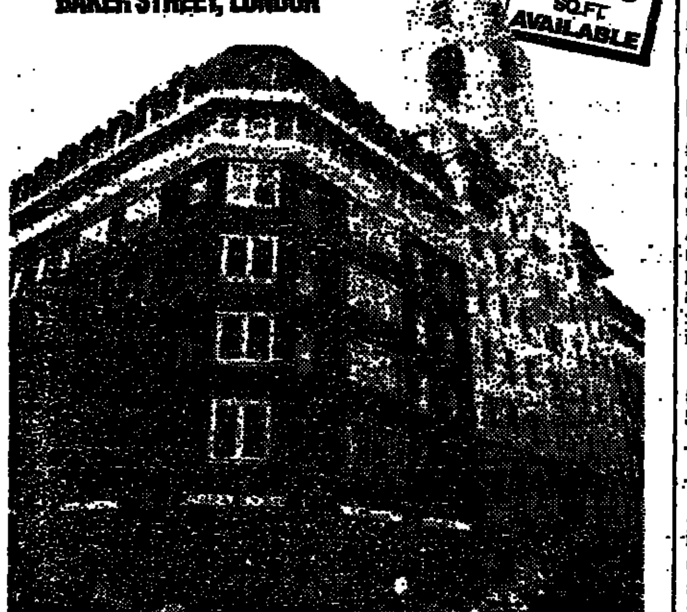

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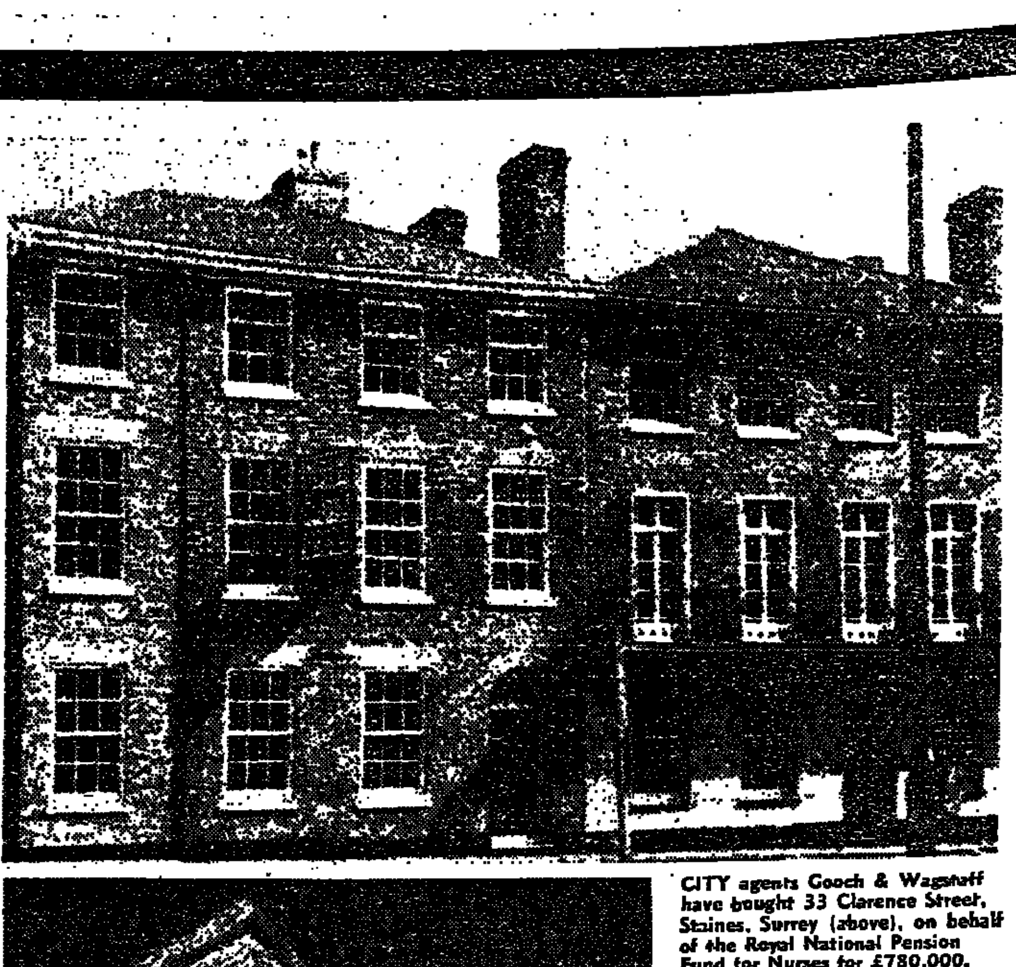

CITY agents Gooch & Wagstaff have bought 33 Clarence Street, Staines, Surrey (above), on behalf of the Royal National Pension Fund for Nurses for £780,000, reflecting an initial yield of 5:5 p.c.
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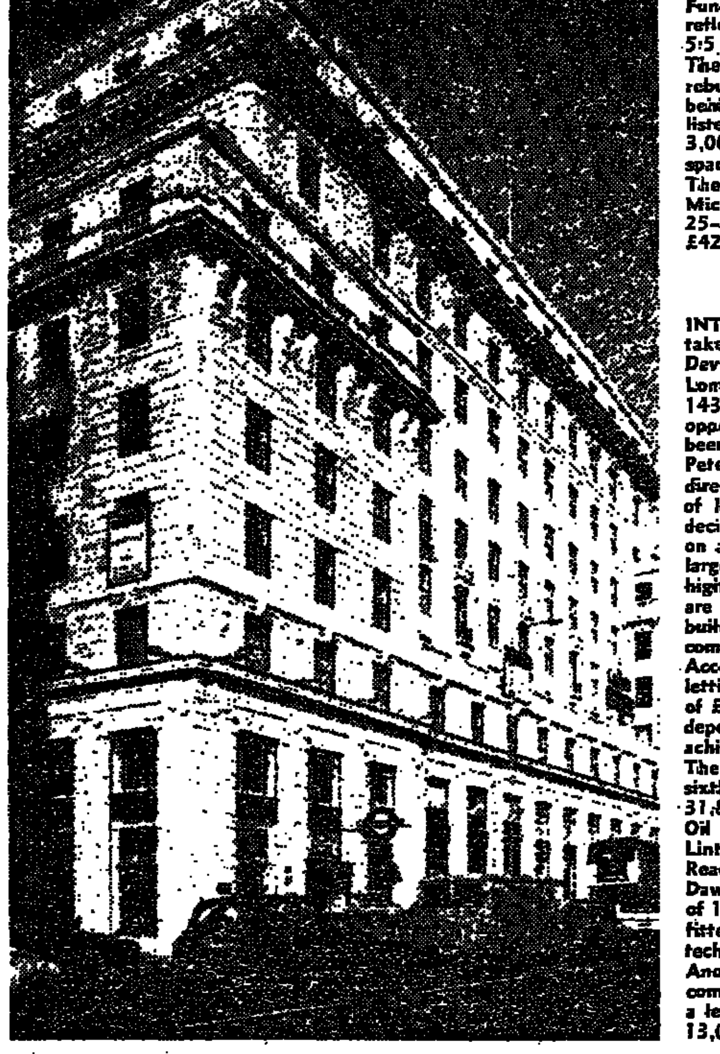

INTERNATIONAL companies have taken over half the space in Devonshire House, Piccadilly, London (left), Land Securities' 143,262 sq. ft office building opposite the Ritz Hotel. It has been extensively refurbished. Peter Hunt, group managing director, said: "The current spate of lettings follows our policy decision to let Devonshire House on a floor by floor basis. The large floor areas coupled with the high levels of finish and fittings are the reasons we believe the building is appealing to overseas companies."
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Another major international oil company is said to be negotiating a lease on the ninth floor of 13,000 sq. ft.

Office rents hit peak in New York

PEAK office rentals in midtown Manhattan are now pitched at $60 a sq.ft (£55·25 a sq.ft) which includes tax and operating expenses. While this level of rents has been obtained mainly on small units developers of projects in the midtown district will be delighted.

There are many developments by British companies in New York, including a number of major projects in the prime area. While rents are peaking at $60 a sq. ft. a typical new building has been leasing at rents above $40 a sq.ft, even for large units.

According to Simon Milde, a partner of Jones Lang Wootton based in New York, activity in the highest priced tier has been dominated by financial service firms and international companies. They are willing and able to pay top prices for the new generation of buildings which are mechanically and architecturally superior to most of the existing stock.

He says the active groups in the middle segment of rentals include United States corporations and service-related firms, such as law and accounting, which require well-located midtown offices.

Moves by this type of tenant has been to middle-age buildings, or new buildings in non-prime locations at rentals in the $30 to $42 a sq ft range (£26·50 to £37·30 sq ft).

Jones Lang's report states that the activity in the lowest tier consists of those services industries which are cost-conscious, such as engineering, publishing and advertising. This market has now centred in "Midtown South" at rents of $15 to $22 a sq. ft. (13·30 to £19·50 a sq. ft.).

According to the report the outlook for 1985 is that the new buildings in the district's prime locations could achieve their projected $50 to $60 a sq. ft. (£44·40 to £53·25 a sq. ft.).

Jones Lang believe that with the possible exception of the lower floors of a building tenants will be taking only comparatively small areas of space and it is likely that buildings will be let floor by floor.

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DOUG SMITH'S EARLY WARNING TO PIGGOTT

By HOTSPUR

LESTER PIGGOTT, who at the weekend committed himself publicly to riding for only one more season in Britain, will not find it easy to make the transition from jockey to trainer.

That is the view of Doug Smith, the most recent British-born champion jockey to turn trainer, who had a winner with his first runner in 1968 but retired 11 years later for economic reasons.

Smith, now a bloodstock agent in the same Newmarket road where Piggott will begin training at Lodge stables, said yesterday: "I regard Lester as a genius.

"In my opinion he will approach training as he does riding, he will be totally dedicated. But he will find it a lot of hard work. The hardest part is the paperwork because there are so many restrictions these days."

Smith, five times champion jockey to Piggott's 11, added: "He'll love being out with his horses, seeing some of them work well and four or five days later watching them winning, just as you'd planned.

"But then he'll have to put up with the times when things go wrong, when you see them looking as if they'll win a furlong out and then they go out like a light. That's the hardest part."

Smith's new role, in which he recently returned from Ireland with "several nice geldings" on his books, has brought him into contact with the produce of horses he used to ride, and he believes Piggott will find the same continuity an advantage.

Continuity a benefit

"It makes me feel very old to look at a sales catalogue and see that I rode some of the third dams of horses I'm now in the market to buy," said Smith, 67. "But knowing the pedigrees as intimately as this is a benefit, and I'm sure Lester will find this when he starts training, because he'll be looking after horses whose sires and dams he may have ridden."

Piggott, who passed Frank Buckle's record of 27 British classic winners when Commanche Run won last September's Doncaster St Leger, caught Mike Watt, his manager, unawares with his weekend statement. Last night Watt said: "While it is Lester's intention to retire in the forseeseable future no firm date has been set."

Piggott, who is in the United States, will fulfil international commitments before taking up his freelance role this spring, and contractual arrangements are expected to take him overseas next winter. The coming Flat season, which ends on Nov. 9, four days after his 50th birthday, will give British spectators their last chance to see him ride on home territory.

Doug Smith, whose final mount was at Haydock Park on the last day of the 1967 season, 17 days before his 50th birthday, said: "I'm pleased he is retiring now. I had a few falls in the last years of my career, just like Lester has had the past four years, and the longer you go on, the harder it is to recover."

Smith decided to retire from training after the deaths of several long-standing owners. "I wasn't the sort of person who could go round asking for horses so the boxes stayed empty, and as I was paying a big rent for the stables, I didn't have sufficient horses to make it pay."

Piggott is unlikely to face that problem. He owns three stables in Hamilton Road, and will begin training at Eve Lodge which has 129 boxes and since 1975 has been leased successively to Bill Marshall, Michael Albina and Michael Hinchliffe.

Promised support

Nor is Piggott likely to go short of owners. The Maktoum family have promised support, and he can expect horses from Charles St George, his close friend and business associate.

Racing set for resumption

Racing looks set to resume at Nottingham today for the first time since Jan. 9. David Henson, Nottingham's clerk of the course, said yesterday: "We had a steady thaw this morning and could have raced by lunchtime. We will still hold a precautionary inspection at 6.30 a.m. but I foresee no great problems."

Frost is the danger to Wednesday's British fixtures, with inspections today at Newcastle (10 a.m.) and Wolverhampton (noon), but prospects for Fairyhouse in Ireland are rated "good," though there is an inspection planned at 9 a.m. today.

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HOTSPUR'S DOUBLE.—Postdyne and Flaxen Tina.
TONY STAFFORD.—Three Chances (3.30).

Wing And A Prayer, ante-post favourite for the Schweppes Gold Trophy, reappears at Cheltenham on Saturday but also figures among 19 four-day acceptors for the Rossington Main Novices' Hurdle at Doncaster the day before. Also engaged is Tawridge, who may have his successful New Year's Day Leicester form boosted by third-placed I'm A Dealer in today's Stop Gap Novices' Hurdle at Nottingham.

John Webber has double prospects with Flaxen Tina, napped for the Tattersalls Novices' 'Chase, and Selborne Rambler, in the Ollerton Handicap 'Chase.

Lester Piggott makes racing history with his 28th British Classic success, as Commanche Run, right, beats Baynoun in the Holsten Pils St Leger at Doncaster last September.

Course Notes & Hints

DEALER IS BEST

By Our Course Correspondent

KEEPING horses fit during severe wintry conditions can be a nightmare for trainers, but thanks to a new all-weather gallop at Lambourn, Jenny Pitman has kept her string on the move and makes a four-pronged attack at Nottingham today.

"We have missed only two days' work since the freeze up" Mrs Pitman said yesterday, and she thinks that I'M A DEALER (Stop Gap Novices, Hurdle, Div. II, 2.30) may prove best.

This Menelek gelding showed promise before falling at the third-last flight on his debut at Leicester last month and was far from disgraced when third to Tawridge over the same course on New Year's Day.

Since they were the only races of his career, I'm a Dealer is expected to improve on those efforts and is preferred to Thunder Rock.

Smith's Man may also be on the mark for Mrs Pitman in the Ollerton Handicap 'Chase (3.30).

Mrs Pitman's Irish import Tollybuck may find Tachyros too good in the Stop Gap Novices' Hurdle (Div. 1, 1.30) and the stable's other runner, Jayess, appears to have too much to do in the Carlton Handicap Hurdle (4.0) which may be won by course and distance winner Baton Match.

COURSE SPECIALISTS
NOTTINGHAM

Course winners.—2.0 (2m 'ch): Sallys Carousel (2m hdle). 3.30 (3m 'ch): Three Chances (3m 'ch). 4.0 (2m hdle): Jayess (2m hdle), Baton Match (2m hdle), Fair City (2½m hdle).

Jockeys (since August 1979).—Scudamore 22, Smith Eccles 19, Morshead 10, C. Smith 9, J. O'Neill 8, Webber 8, P. A. Charlton 8, Earnshaw 7, McCourt 7, H. Davies 7, A. Brown 6.

Trainers.—Nicholson 16, Henderson 11, M. H. Easterby 9, Mrs M. Rimell 8, Mrs J. Pitman 7, Mrs M. Dickinson 6, Fitzgerald 6, A. Jarvis 6, Morley 6, F. Winter 6.

HOTSPUR'S "TWELVE"

None of the horses listed in Hotspur's Twelve to Follow is engaged today.

NEWMARKET SELECTIONS

NOTTINGHAM.—3.30, Three Chances; 4.0, Princess Henham.

WHISTLER'S NAP

Thunder Rock (2.30) is today's revised nap by Whistler of the SUNDAY TELEGRAPH.

NORTHERN CORRESPONDENT

NOTTINGHAM.—1.30, Mercia Sound; 2.0, Sallys Carousel; 2.30, Try To Stop Me; 3.0, Kelsey Lady (nap); 4.0, Emandar.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS

Schweppes Gold Trophy H'cap Hdle Newbury: Amarach, Northern Game.

Badminton

England put caps on ice for Scots

ENGLAND have decided not to award caps to their players in the annual badminton international with Scotland — because they feel the Scots are not good enough.

Hampshire's Joe Ford and Debbie Hore are newcomers to England's squad for the match at Hinckley Leisure Centre on Feb. 21 but have been robbed of their first full caps by the decision.

"We always field an experimental side in this fixture and it is felt that continuing to award full international status would demean the value of an England cap," said a spokesman for the Badminton Association of England.

Caps have always been awarded in the previous 55 meetings between the nations—all won by England since the fixture began in 1922.

In 28 of those, Scotland have failed to win a single match, including last year's meeting at Bishopbriggs which ended in a 7-0 romp for England.

Scott recalled

The "England Select" party still looks strong with national singles champions Andy Goode and Fiona Elliott included and Gary Scott recalled for his first representative game in two years after playing for a West German club.

Scotland, who name their squad in a fortnight, will award full caps to their players but have agreed to England downgrading the match.

"We discussed the situation in great detail with England officials and it was clear we would have to agree if we wanted the fixture to continue," said Anne Smillie, executive administrator of the Scottish Badminton Union.

ENGLAND SQUAD.—Men: G. Scott (Lancs), J. Ford (Hants), A. Goode (Herts), N. Tier (Herts), C. Dobson (Warwicks), D. Tailor (Middx). Women: F. Elliott (Surrey), S. Halsall (Lancs), D. Hore (Hants).

£900,000 FOR GRAND PRIX

By A Special Correspondent in Tokyo

BADMINTON'S largest-ever sponsorship of nearly £900,000 for the Pro-Kennex World Grand Prix is to be extended over the next three years.

The Taiwanese sports goods company announced yesterday it would renew its sponsorship next year with the biggest financial support the game has ever known, and may continue to be involved with the Grand Prix indefinitely.

Doubles events are to be added to the Grand Prix finals in 1986 and this year's finals in December are to receive £225,000 over and above the existing sponsorship. A sponsored grand slam of four major tournaments is another possible development and Pro-Kennex is known to be interested in sponsoring leading events in England if the opportunity arises.

No mistakes

Badminton is progressing further down the road towards professionalism along lawn tennis although the International Federation is keen that the sport should learn from some of the mistakes of its close cousin.

England's players arrived in Tokyo yesterday for the third of the Grand Prix events starting on Thursday, cheered by the knowledge that the risk of playing full time professional badminton is one increasingly worth taking.

Swimming

READ MUST REST–COACH

Kathy Read, the Norwich Club Olympic backstroke swimmer, has been advised to take a rest to make sure she is recovered from the glandular fever that hit her in November, writes **Pat Besford**.

That is the view of Paddy Garratt, coach to the England team in Strasbourg at the weekend, when Miss Read, 15, the British 200m record holder, swam below form.

Garratt said: "Kathy is not at all well. I have suggested she stays out of the water as long as possible until she has been completely cleared by her doctor.

"As soon as I get home I shall ring Kathy's coach Barry Prime to let him know my view."

Miss Read from Great Yarmouth, missed her first senior cap in 1983, at 13, because of an appendix operation. Her fever attack forced her out of the European Cup in Bergen in December and a trip to the U.S. at the beginning of this month.

Snooker

YOUNG FOULDS GOES THROUGH

The Foulds family met with mied fortunes in the Tolly Cobbold English Professional Snooker championship, the opening rounds of which end tomorrow at Westcliff and Chesterfield.

In their first round matches at Chesterfield, Neal Foulds beat Des Hughes 9-3, while Geoff, his father, lost 9-4 to the young Liverpool player, John Parrott.

TOLLY COBBOLD ENGLISH PROF. CH'SHIP.—1st Rd: Westcliff: J. Johnson (Bradford) bt G. Scott (Liverpool) 9-1. Frames: 83-11, 76-37, 117-8, 90-16, 75-23, 45-74, 17-0, 78-50, 83-32, 91-29; T. Meo (Morden) bt M. Fisher (Bedford) 9-3. Frames: 57-65, 78-8, 76-19, 78-47, 77-44, 74-66, 70-40, 13-72, 78-23, 61-56, 45-76, 92-3; J. Virgo (Guildford) bt M. Darrington (High Wycombe) 9-0. Frames: 109-12, 102-19, 68-40, 66-32, 62-32, 70-56, 56-55, 70-54, 75-10; D. Reynolds (Grimsby) bt J. Fitzmaurice (Birmingham) 9-3. Frames: 75-55, 73-35, 86-57, 71-36, 63-13, 39-1, 12-61, 71-35, 69-22, 64-13, 91-1.

Chesterfield: F. Meadows (Stockport) bt J. Spencer (Radcliffe) 9-4. Frames: 53-52, 77-44, 78-14, 82-6, 49-64, 83-20, 35-63, 55-67, 61-15, 88-3, 58-19, 53-69, 55-5; N. Foulds (Perivale) bt D. Hughes (Manchester) 9-3. Frames: 97-3, 75-49, 71-25, 74-19, 93-0, 66-51, 16-76, 70-65, 82-15, 42-58, 53-65, 74-28; David Taylor (Manchester) bt G. Cripsey (Skegness) 9-5. Frames: 68-46, 56-22, 7-85, 44-9, 19-53, 99-0, 79-14, 62-29, 3-73, 48-61, 71-34, 37-40, 70-33, 80-25; J. Parrott (Liverpool) bt G. Foulds (Perivale) 9-4. Frames: 1-73, 73-56, 50-78, 75-31, 111-8, 75-59, 34-66, 93-40, 12-67, 0-101, 65-12, 91-12, 84-0.

Nottingham runners, riders and form guide

Advance official going: 'Chase, GOOD TO SOFT; hdles, SOFT

● INSPECTION 6.30 a.m.

1.30: STOP GAP NOVICES' HURDLE (Div. I) Penalty Value £781 2m (11 declared)

6 GLORIOUS (M. W. Easterby), M. W. Easterby, 7 11-2 ... P. Tuck
8 044 LISLARY LAD (V. Rabbit), Mrs M. Rimell, 5 11-2 ... S. Morshead
10 3- MERCIA SOUND (A. White), R. Hollinshead, 6 11-2 ... J. O'Neill
12 2021F-TACHYROS (D) (B. Brooks), L. Lightbrown, 5 11-0 ... K. Sims (7)
13 00- TOLLYBUCK (E. Knight), Mrs J. Pitman, 6 11-2 ... M. Pitman (7)
15 00-400 DRIVEN SNOW (Sir R. La Coltburst), J. Webber, 5 10-11 ... G. McCourt
17 P-00P LITTLE SARK (T. Williams), M. Eckley, 7 10-11 ... W. Morris
21 00 BLACKWELL BOY (Mrs M. Lambert), M. Lambert, 4 10-5 ... P. A. Charlton
24 MELWAY BOY (K. Bowness), S. Bowring, 4 10-5 ... D. Shaw
27 PPP POETIC JUSTICE (Communidata Ltd), M. Chapman, 4 10-5 ... P. Liddle (7)
29 0 ROSSY FOR SPORT (B. Barker), A. Smith, 4 10-5 ... C. Grant

S.P. FORECAST: 9-4 Mercia Sound, 3 Tachyros, 7-2 Lislary Lad, 6 Tollybuck, 8 Glorious, 12 Driven Snow, 16 others.

FORM GUIDE.—Tachyros led an every chance when fell 3 out in race won by No-U-Turn (gave 18lb) at Cheltenham (2m) Oct. 24 (good). Previously Tachyros beat Rigton Sally (rec 5lb) by 5l at Southwell (2m) Oct. 8 (good). Lislary Lad was beaten 25l when 4th to Maganyos (gave 2lb) at Stratford (2m) Dec. 29 (good to soft). Driven Snow was 8th of 22 to Terryash (gave 10lb) at Huntingdon (2m 200y) Dec. 12 (good). Mercia Sound was beaten sh hd—2l when 3rd to Shooting High (gave 2lb) at Huntingdon (2m 200y) Oct. 22 (firm).

MERCIA SOUND is preferred to Tachyros.

2.0: BONNINGTON HANDICAP 'CHASE £1,190 2m (6)

2 1F-630P DENNIS AUBURN (D) (Anne Duchess of Westminster), R. Francis, 8 11-7 ... R. Crank
3 34-0DFU CRACK A JOKE (D) (BF) (D. Randle), M. Eckley, 6 11-3 ... S. Morshead
5 F2213B SALLYS CAROUSELLE (C) (D) (BF) (A. Eaton), P. Bevan, 11 10-12 ... G. McCourt
6 434F-PP DAY AFTER (Mrs S. James), A. P. James, 9 10-8 ... G. Jones
7 001331 POSTDYNE (D) (S. Clarke), W. Mann, 10 10-8 ... A. Webb
8 303340 THE SURVEYOR (D) (Mrs M. Power), R. Hollinshead, 9 10-1 ... D. Carcary (7)

S.P. FORECAST: 10-8 Postdyne, 5-2 Crack A Joke, 5 Dennis Auburn, 8 Sallys Carouselle, 12 The Surveyor, 16 Day After.

FORM GUIDE.—Postdyne beat Sharagain (gave 8lb) at Leicester (2m) Jan. 1 (good). Dennis Auburn was pulled up at Bangor Nov. 9 and previously was beaten 18½l when 4th to Golden Friend (gave 15lb) at Wolverhampton (3m) Oct. 31—The Surveyor (rec 22lb) was 3rd btn 18l (good to firm). Later The Surveyor was beaten 23½l when 6th of 7 to King's Inn (gave 32lb) at Wolverhampton (2m) Dec. 27 (soft). Sallys Carouselle was brought down at Uttoxeter Dec. 6 where Crack a Joke (gave 21lb) was in lead when fell two out in race won by Smiling Cavalier (good to soft). Previously Sallys Carouselle was beaten ½l by Silva Linda (rec 4lb) at Uttoxeter (2m 1f) Nov. 15 (good). On last completed outing Crack a Joke was 8th of 12 to Silent Echo (gave 5lb) at Stratford (2m) Nov. 8 (soft).

POSTDYNE has sound claims. Crack a Joke next best.

2.30: STOP-GAP NOVICES' HURDLE (Div. II) £777 2m (10)

4 3/201 THUNDER ROCK (D) (Mrs C. Howard), A. Davison, 4 11-5 ... R. Goldstein
6 0P0 ASCENDAR (N. Bowring), S. Bowring, 5 11-2 ... D. Shaw
11 F3 I'M A DEALER (C. Strivens), Mrs J. Pitman, 5 11-2 ... M. Pitman (7)
13 OUR CHOICE (S. Rowley), R. Hollinshead, 5 11-2 ... J. O'Neill
14 000-000 ROSS MORGAN (BL) (S. Mercer), R. E. Peacock, 6 11-2 ... S. J. O'Neill
15 PP0 STARGATE (P. Smith), M. Chapman, 5 11-2 ... P. Liddle (7)
21 0000-F EYTON MELADY (F. Beddoes), K. White, 5 10-11 ... P. Finch (3)
22 OZRA (BL) (A. Hodnet), W. Perrin, 5 10-11 ... M. Bowlby (7)
23 TRY TO STOP ME (A. Wilkinson), Denys Smith, 4 10-5 ... C. Grant
31 P0 DARING FRANK (M. Taylor), T. Kersey, 4 10-0 ... Susan Kersey (7)

S.P. FORECAST: 6-4 Thunder Rock, 9-4 I'm A Dealer, 4 Try To Stop Me, 10 Ross Morgan, 14 Ozra, Our Choice, 16 others.

FORM GUIDE.—Thunder Rock beat Archie's Nephew (rec 17lb) by 2½l at Devon (2m 1f) Jan. 1 (heavy). I'm A Dealer was beaten 4½l when 3rd to Tawridge (gave 13lb) at Leicester (2m) Jan. 1 with Ascendar (gave 7lb) 9th of 17 (soft). Ross Morgan was beaten 17½l when 8th of 11 to Little Harry (rec 1lb) at Southwell (2½m) Nov. 20 (good to soft). Daring Frank was 9th of 11 to True Imp (gave 17lb) over today's course and distance Dec. 3 (good).

I'M A DEALER has Thunder Rock to beat.

3.0: TATTERSALLS MARES ONLY NOVICES' 'CHASE (Qualifier) £1,586 2m (7)

5 0 AGHALOKPE (Mrs S. Lamyman), Mrs S. Lamyman, 7 10-10 ... A. Webb
5 03-32F FLAXEN TINA (Mrs S. Goel), J. Webber, 7 10-10 ... S. Morshead
7 0-330F2 KELSEY LADY (F. Chapman), M. Lambert, 7 10-10 ... D. Dutton
10 31-0040 PAKA LOLO (J. Harnett), J. Fitzgerald, 8 10-10 ... M. Dwyer
13 -100- SUNYONE (Mrs J. Sweeting), C. Sweeting, 7 10-10 ... —
15 292-P00 SWIFT MESSENGER (Miss B. Palmer), R. Perkins, 6 10-10 ... Dai Williams
16 FU TORY MEMBER (Mrs R. Hambro), Mrs M. Rimell, 8 10-10 ... S. Morshead

Sunyone non-runner, states trainer.

S.P. FORECAST: 7-4 Kelsey Lady, 9-4 Flaxen Tina, 7-2 Paka Lolo, 10 Swift Messenger, Tory Member, 20 Aghalokpe.

FORM GUIDE.—Kelsey Lady was beaten ½l by Harbour Bazaar (rec 9lb) at Market Rasen (2m) Dec. 26 (soft). Flaxen Tina had every chance when fell last in race won by Royscript (gave 16lb) at Leicester (3m) Dec. 31 (soft). Previously Flaxen Tina was beaten 2l by Roadstar (gave 5lb) at Warwick (2m) Dec. 14 (heavy). Paka Lolo was beaten 48½l when 6th of 12 to The Last Prince (gave 3lb) over today's course (3m) Dec. 22 (good). Swift Messenger was a distant 5th of 6 to Duesenberg (gave 5lb) at Leicester (2½m) Dec. 17 (good).

KELSEY LADY is preferred to Flaxen Tina.

3.30: OLLERTON HANDICAP 'CHASE £1,750 3m (10)

1 000F-P0 EGGNOG (R. Carrier jon), R. Champion, 12 11-11 ... R. Rowe
2 P-P2112 SMITH'S MAN (D) (S. Mansfield Meat Co. Ltd), Mrs J. Pitman, 7 11-5 ... M. Perrett
4 0B-PF11 THREE CHANCES (CD) (M. Perry), R. Champion, 6 10-13 ... G. McCourt
5 F43331 SELBORNE RAMBLER (Mrs E. Roberts), J. Webber, 7 10-10 ... A. Webber
6 32UU43 ROYAL NORMAN (BL) (D) (Mrs M. Brisbourne), A. Brisbourne, 9 10-8 ... M. Brisbourne
7 0FU50P PERSONALITY PLUS (BL) (D. Pickering), R. Francis, 9 10-7 ... R. Crank
8 P0P-0FP CHANCE COMMAND (BL) (D) (Ld Ronaldshay), P. Calver, 10 10-5 ... C. Grant
9 0-31453 MEGGIES DENE (BF) (Mrs R. Barrett), Mrs R. Barrett, 9 10-5 ... S. Johnson
12 03000-0 TOM FARR (F. Dever), F. Dever, 10 10-0 ... P. Dever
13 P43F5-P TARA'S NEWS (R. Perkins), R. Perkins, 8 10-0 ... Dai Williams

S.P. FORECAST: 9-4 Smiths Man, 3 Three Chances, 4 Selborne Rambler, 6 Eggnog, Royal Norman, 10 Meggies Dene, 14 others.

FORM GUIDE.—Three Chances beat Rib Law (rec 4lb) by 10l at Folkestone (3¼m) Dec. 18 (heavy). Selborne Rambler beat Assured (gave 4lb) by 6l at Huntingdon (3m 100y) Dec. 12 (good). Royal Norman was beaten 10l by Direct Line (gave 21lb) at Leicester (2½m) Dec. 31 (soft). Smith's Man was beaten 3l by Run and Skip (gave 10lb) at Wolverhampton (3m) Dec. 26 with Royal Norman (rec 4lb) another 27l away 4th (good). Meggies Dene was beaten 27l when 3rd to Prince Carlton (rec 7lb) at Fakenham (soft). Eggnog was beaten 40l when 5th to Lucky Vane (gave 16lb) at Cheltenham (4m) Jan. 3 (good to soft).

SMITH'S MAN may beat Three Chances.

4.0: CARLTON HANDICAP HURDLE £1,750 2m (15)

2 10F- CLEWISTON (A. Wright), K. Morgan, 9 11-10 ... A. Webb
6 0-00140 ENSIGNS KIT (D) (A. Brisbourne), A. Brisbourne, 10 11-4 ... M. Brisbourne
7 212-000 JAYESS (CD) (Mrs D. Sutton), Mrs J. Pitman, 6 11-4 ... M. Pitman (7)
8 0F0-403 EMANDAR (D) (H. Ryder), R. Wharton, 6 11-3 ... J. O'Neill
10 140-220 MICK'S STAR (D) (Ld Belper), M. W. Easterby, 5 11-1 ... P. Tuck
11 00-0000 PRINCESS HENHAM (BL) (D) (BF) (J. Smith), N. Callaghan, 5 10-11 ... R. Dunwoody
13 4100-05 BURGLARS WALK (D) (A. Wilkinson), Denys Smith, 5 10-11 ... C. Grant
16 100030- GO TO SLEEP (D) (Mrs P. Mullen), Mrs S. Oliver, 5 10-7 ... Miss S. Oliver (7)
20 001/000 EYTON STREAKER (F. Beddoes), K. White, 6 10-4 ... P. Finch (7)
23 041072 BATON MATCH (CD) (Communidata Ltd), M. Chapman, 5 10-5 ... P. Liddle (7)
34 1-00022 GOD'S IMAGE (D) (BF) (Mrs B. Mangan), D. A. Wilson, 6 10-2 ... Steve Knight
35 03013/0 STAN'S PET (S. Savins), P. Bevan, 7 10-1 ... A. Webber
36 200-50P MONCLARE TROPHY (Monclare Products Ltd), P. Bevan, 6 10-1 ... S. Morshead
29 FP000P- FAIR CITY (C) (D) (G. Bell), T. Gibson, 8 10-0 ... S. J. O'Neill
54 0/F00-00 SUPER SPARK (J. Oakes), R. Perkins, 6 10-0 ... Dai Williams

S.P. FORECAST: 7-2 God's Image, 4 Baton Match, 5 Princess Henham, Emandar, 10-2 Burglar's Walk, 8 Go To Sleep, 12 Micks Star, Clewiston, 16 others.

FORM GUIDE.—God's Image was beaten ½l by French Captain (gave 22lb) at Leicester (2m) Dec. 31 (soft). Baton Match was beaten 4l by Wally's (rec 4lb) at Towcester (2m) Jan. 9 with Princess Henham (gave 1lb) another 8½l away 7th and Stan's Pet (rec 1lb) last of 12 (soft). Ensigns Kit was 8th of 11 to Bold Illusion (rec 15lb) at Wolverhampton (2m) Dec. 26 (good to soft). Burglars Walk was beaten sh hd 2l when 3rd to Mark Edelson (gave 6lb) at Ayr (2m) Jan. 2 (good to soft). Emandar was beaten 1½l when 3rd to Tot (rec 3lb) at Kelso (2m) Jan. 9 (soft). Mick's Star was beaten 12½l when 5th to Bonny Gold (gave 2lb) at Sedgefield (2½m) Dec. 11 (good).

GOD'S IMAGE is on handy mark. Baton Match next best.

First Test—Fourth Day

Pakistan check New Zealand victory march

NEW ZEALAND had a lead of 273 runs with six second-innings wickets in hand at the end of the fourth day of the first cricket Test against Pakistan in Wellington yesterday.

Jeremy Coney and Jeff Crowe had taken New Zealand to 103 for four at the close. Pakistan, who trailed by 170 runs on the first innings, came back from an awkward position yesterday and looked unlikely to be beaten on the final day.

Defiant batting by Pakistan's tail-enders and an economical two-wicket spell by Iqbal Qasim, their left-arm spinner, checked New Zealand's attempt to reach a winning position.

John Wright and Geoff Howarth hit 19 runs off the first two overs of New Zealand's second innings but they were out quickly and a defensive approach was adopted.

Hadlee milestone

Abdul Qadir and Anil Dalpat had defied the New Zealand attack long enough in the morning to help Pakistan avoid the follow-on. Qadir registered his highest Test score before he was dismissed for 54, by Hadlee.

Pakistan, 256 for seven overnight, needed a further 57 to avoid following on and were within five of their target when Qadir was eighth out after beating his previous Test best of 50 in the 1984 home series against England.

Qadir put on 65 in 64 minutes with Dalpat, the wicketkeeper, who by lunch had steered the touring team to 301 for eight with Qasim, who was 27 not out when the innings ended at 322, 30 minutes after the interval.

After Howarth and Wright's deceptively promising start New Zealand slumped to 42 for three at tea.

Wright was trapped lbw by Mudassar Nazar's medium pace, while Howarth edged Azeem Hafeez, left-arm paceman, and was caught behind. The third wicket fell two balls before the interval when Reid became Qasim's first victim in a spell of two for 19 in 16 overs.

Martin Crowe looked set to seize the initiative until, after reaching 33, he was also snared by Qasim.

The scoreboard

NEW ZEALAND.—First Innings 492 (J. F. Reid 148, R. J. Hadlee 89, I. D. S. Smith 65; Azeem Hafeez 5-127).

Second Innings

G. P. Howarth, c Dalpat, b Hafeez	17
J. G. Wright, lbw, b Mudassar	11
J. F. Reid, c Qadir, b Qasim	3
M. D. Crowe, c Qadir, b Qasim	33
J. J. Crowe, not out	19
J. V. Coney, not out	18
Extras (lb 2)	2
Total (4 wkts)	103

Fall of wickets: 1-24, 2-30, 3-42, 4-73.

Bowling: Azeem Hafeez 15-3-51-1; Mudassar Nazar 6-3-15-1, Iqbal Qasim 16-8-19-2; Abdul Qadir 8-1-18-0.

PAKISTAN.—First Innings

Mudassar Nazar, c and b Boock	38
Mohsin Khan, c Wright, b Boock	40
Shoaib Mohammad, run out	7
Qasim Omar, b Boock	8
Javed Miandad, c Smith, b Boock	30
Salim Malik, c Cairns, b Hadlee	66
Wasim Raja, c M. Crowe, b Boock	14
Abdul Qadir, c Smith, b Hadlee	54
Anil Dalpat, c Smith, b Chatfield	15
Iqbal Qasim, not out	27
Azeem Hafeez, c Boock, b Cairns	3
Extras (b 9, lb 9, nb 2)	20
Total	322

Fall of wickets: 1-62, 2-85, 3-95, 4-102, 5-161, 6-187, 7-223, 8-288, 9-300.

Bowling: Hadlee 32-11-70-2; Cairns 27-4-3-65-1, Chatfield 25-10-52-1, Boock 45-18-117-5.

Martin Crowe, who briefly strengthened New Zealand's position against Pakistan before being dismissed for 33 by Iqbal Qasim in Wellington

Table Tennis

Cardiff performance earns Andrew recall

By JOHN WOODFORD

SKYLET ANDREW, the East Ender cold-shouldered by the England selectors for major tournaments over the last two years, is back in favour after a superb run at the Welsh Open last weekend.

The young man from Stratford almost produced a shock result in Cardiff, and was chosen yesterday for the fifth spot in the England men's squad.

Andrew, 22, is certain to be at the World Championships in Sweden from March 28 and the Commonwealth Championships in the Isle of Man from March 17.

He was the only player apart from Desmond Douglas to impress in Cardiff, knocking out the powerful Israeli No. 2, Josef Bogan, who had earlier crushed Carl Prean.

Marvellous news

Andrew later led 18-15 and 19-16 in the crucial last game with the Russian Andrie Mazunov before nervously missing the table with his last five shots.

Jubilantly receiving a stream of congratulatory telephone calls yesterday, Andrew said of his selection: "This is marvellous news. When I was left out of the world team in Tokyo, I was angry and felt like crying. But I went to Sweden for two months' training last summer and now it seems to be paying off.

"I have been working very hard.

"When I came back, some of the players who had been sitting on their backsides doing nothing said that the trip would not have done me any good. But this proves them wrong. I know I can beat the best. Now I've got to show everyone I can."

Andrew, whose christian name originates from an outer space television serial in Dominica, West Indies, added: "The England team's spirit is so great—Carl Prean coached me in Cardiff on court when I beat the Jewish player Bogan."

There are no surprises among the other eight names in the England squad. They are the top players on both the men's and women's computer ranking lists.

TEAMS.—Men: D. Douglas (Warwicks), Alan Cooke (Derbys), C. Prean (Kent), G. Sandley (Middx), S. Andrew (Essex). Women: Alison Gordon (Berks), J. Grimsley (Lancs), K. Witt (Berks), L. Bellinger (Beds).

PLAYERS AND ETTA AGREE

AGREEMENT has been reached between the players' representative, Barry Johnson, and the English Table Tennis Association over the prize money at the English Championships at Bletchley from March 8-10, writes **John Woodford**.

The prize fund has now been increased to £2,085, the same figure as last year, with £500 going to the men's champion and £500 to the women's.

Tom Blunn the ETTA chairman, said: "This money at the moment is being drawn from Association funds, but if we can find a sponsor between now and the tournament it would ease the situation".

The threat of a boycott by the players, which could have included Desmond Douglas, has now been ruled out.

Athletics

WELLS TO RUN

Allan Wells, the 1980 Olympic gold medallist, has decided to run the 60 metres in the Pearl Assurance British indoor athletic championship at R A F Cosford this weekend. Well's wife Margot is due to give birth to their first child the following Tuesday.

Swimming

Buswell call-up for Paris squad

MURRAY BUSWELL, the first Briton to put up selection target time for this summer's European Championships, has been named along with his better known Leeds club-mate, Adrian Moorhouse for the Diana Meeting in Paris on Feb. 1-3.

Intriguing clashes can be expected between these breaststroke specialists, one with an established reputation to protect and he other emerging as a force with everything to gain.

Moorhouse, 20, Britain's No. 1, for the past four years, had his confidence badly dented last August when he failed to reach the final of the Olympic 200m, the event which his is European champion.

Buswell, two years older, who obtained a degree in 1985, had to wait until last Saturday for his first international success, over 200m, in Strasbourg.

Howe selected

The mystery of the illness Moorhouse was reported to have had since last February has been cleared up. Results of specialist have pin-pointed a virus infection.

This is working its way out of his system, and he is expected to be fit to swim for England at the Speedo meet in Amersfoort, Holland, this weekend.

Also picked for the English Yorkshire Bank squad of eight are Olympic relay bronze medallist Paul Howe and 400m medley finalist Steve Poulter, who was ou tof swimming for most of the 1985 season because of glandular fever.

Former Beckenham swimmer Zara Long, 14, the baby of the British Olympic team and now with Kelly College at Tavistock, makes her first appearance in a Yorkshire Bank squad.

TEAMS.—Men: M. Buswell (Leeds), P. Howe (Millfield), A. Moorhouse (Leeds), S. Poulter (Wigan). Women: S. Bowman (Darlington), Z. Long (Kelly), L. Taylor (Manchester), C. White (S. Tyneside).

ENGLAND EARN DAY OFF

By A Special Correspondent In Bangalore

FOLLOWING their three-wicket win in the one-day international in Bangalore on Sunday, the England cricketers were given their first day off since Christmas.

With an unbeatable 3-0 lead in the one-day competition and a 2-1 advantage in the Test series, David Gower's team are in the best of spirits.

By altering flight schedules, the players were given an extra 36 hours in Bangalore, which for climate and cleanliness is one of the most attractive Indian cities.

England also have the luxury of being able to change their side, without pressure, in either of the tour's final two 50-over matches at Nagpur tomorrow or Chandrigarh on Sunday.

The selectors could, if they wish, include any of the five players idle on Sunday, but indications are that they may stick to what they consider their strongest one day line-up and aim for 5-0 whitewash, with the possible exception of Martyn Moxon for Tim Robinson.

Poor starts

Despite his consistent form in the first class games, Robinson has scored only 18 in the three one-day internationals. On each occasion England have been forced to overcome a poor start before heading for victory.

Meanwhile, manager Tony Brown has said there will be no disciplinary action against tour vice-captain Mike Gatting after a clear show of dissent on Sunday.

Gatting hurled the ball into the ground and then argued when a run out was not given in England's favour. He was immediately ticked off by Gower and later spoken to by Mr Brown when England left the field.

The manager said: "Mike completely regrets what he did and was annoyed at his own loss of control. He has apologised and the matter is now closed."

Womens Match

DEFEAT FOR ENGLAND

Victoria defeated England by four wickets in their second one-day game at Aberfeldie Park, Melbourne, yesterday, but the tourists' sporting attitude in defeat was admired by the appreciative crowd.

England, who fielded a weakened side, never really got going with their makeshift batting order after Victoria put them in.

Jan Southgate, the captain, who opened, held the side together with a patient 47 off 95 deliveries. Her two major partnerships were of 38 with Jackie Court for the second wicket, and 42 for the seventh with Jill Stockdale, who scored a competent 30 before she became the first of Karen Brown's three victims.

England were all out at 136 in the 53rd over. Victoria paced their innings sensibly, and England's attack posed no real problems on an excellent batting wicket.

Winning run

Test player Wendy Napier's 35 laid the foundation for victory, though Victoria lost three wickets for 40, including two run-outs.

Karen Brown struck the winning run in the 51st over, and this plus her bowling performance earned her the Player of the Match award.

WOMEN'S ONE-DAY (Melbourne).—Victoria 139-6 (W. Napier 35, C. Werren [illegible], C. Hodges 2-21); England 136 all out (J. Southgate 47, J. Stockdale 30, K. Brown 3-29).

£50,000 BOOST FOR SUSSEX

Sussex County Cricket Club yesterday announced a three-year sponsorship agreement with T S B Trustcard Limited, worth £50,000.

The venture into sports-sponsorship is the first by Trustcard and the Sussex players will display the firm's logo on their shirts, sweaters and track suits.

Powerboats

HILL SUPERB IN FINALE

By RAY BULMAN in Nassau

Britain's John Hill (Beefeater/Burgess/Mercury) drove the race of his life to win the Premier 50-lap marathon heat of the Bahamas Grand Prix.

This event was the finale of the two-day meeting organised by the Bahamas Tourist Office and proved the 52-year-old British World Formula Two champion has what it takes to compete against younger internationals.

Hill saw The Prime Minister's Cup, he thought, was his for this victory, presented to Mike Seebold, son of American ace driver Bill Seebold, who achieved a higher points aggregate in this and two earlier heats.

It was not until yesterday that the mistake was admitted and embarrassed officials presented Mr Hill with the cup and over £2,200 prize money.

John Hill and his British teammate, Jonathan Jones (Diving International / Burgess Mercury), had already won the Harmsworth Trophy, but both suffered mechanical problems in the first three heats of the 1985 World Formula II (2,000cc) championship.

WORLD FONDA FORMULA II CHAMPIONSHIPS (Nassau).—1st Rd: M. Seebold (U.S.) 8 pts; J. Hill (GB) 6; M. Garrett (G.S.) 4; J. Nichols (U.S.) 3; B. Thornton (U.S.) 2; J. Sherlock (U.S.) 1.

OTHER SPORT TODAY

BADMINTON.—Prudential Ch'ships (Leicestershire B C).
BOWLS.—County Indoor: Berks v London & Sthn Counties (The Green, 2.30).
HOCKEY.—Women: Midlands v North (Abbey Pk, Leicester, 11).
LAWN TENNIS.—L T A Men's Satellite Circuit (Court Tennis Centre, Mallard Rd, Bretton, Peterborough).
RACKETS.—Combined Services Ch'ships (Queen's Club, W. Kensington).
REAL TENNIS.—Combined Services Ch'ships (Queen's Club, W. Kensington).
SNOOKER.—Tolly Cobbold English Prof. Ch'ship (Westcliff & Chesterfield: 3.30 & 7).
SQUASH RACKETS.—Blue Stratos British U25 Open T'ment (Oasis Club, Marlow): American Express Nat. Lge (various Prem. Lge venues).

Hoylake to mark centenary

THIS year marks the centenary of the Amateur Championship which, somewhat surprisingly, is not being played at Hoylake, where it all began, but at Royal Dornoch, writes **Michael Williams.**

The Royal Liverpool club is nevertheless not letting the occasion pass without recognition.

In conjunction with the Royal and Ancient, they are to hold a dinner on April 27 to which all past champions are being invited.

It will coincide with the club's Spring meeting, which was in fact how the Amateur Championship came into being 100 years ago.

So successful was that informal gathering of most of the leading amateurs in the country, and won by A. F. Macfie, that Royal Liverpool's proposition to the R. and A. that it become an annual event was quickly agreed.

24 clubs involved

As the R & A did not even have at that stage exclusive control of the Open Championship, 24 different clubs were involved in the organisation during its early years. Captains from each will be invited to the April dinner.

So, too, will the captains of the 19 clubs which have been host to the championship, Hoylake itself having staged the most at 16, St Andrews being next with 15 and Royal St George's, Sandwich, third with 11.

There are more than 30 surviving Amateur champions. Dr William Tweddell is the oldest at 88 in March though the American, Jess Sweetser, a mere 82, preceeded Dr Tweddell as champion by 12 months in 1926.

Michael Bonallack may not be guest of honour but would seem bound for the top table. His record of five Amateur Championships is second only to John Ball.

Eight times champion

Ball, a Royal Liverpool member, won eight times between 1888 and 1912 as well as the Open Championship in 1890, while Bonallack is now secretary of the Royal and Ancient.

Americans abound on the roll of honour, including Deane Beman, who is now commissioner of the United States PGA tour.

Since he was a professional, it might be an interesting point if, should Beman attend, he will also be allowed to play in the competition which follows the dinner.

Though this year's is the Centenary Amateur, it is not of course the 100th. That will take place in 10 years' time. Perhaps at Hoylake?

Golf Roundabout

WORLD TEAM TOURNAMENT WORTH £1m

By MICHAEL WILLIAMS

GOLF'S first million-pound tournament, the Dunhill Cup, was unwrapped to a fanfare of trumpets in London yesterday, and the international team knock-out event will take place at St Andrews on Oct. 17-20.

Sixteen nations will contest the finals of the $1·2 million extravaganza over the Old Course, with the winning three-man team sharing $300,000 — equivalent, at the current exchange rate, to £89,285 each.

Mark McCormack, the motivating force behind the event — as he was for the world match-play championship — sees it as "the Davis Cup of golf." As such it will comprehensively upstage the existing World Cup, which has been limping along for some years.

He said: "I have always felt that golf lacked a credible international team championship, and sincerely feel this will develop into one of the principle fixtures on the world golfing calendar."

Sudden death

The Dunhill Cup, which has a guaranteed life of three years, though not necessarily always at St Andrews, will be entirely different in format to the World Cup.

Instead of two men to each country there will be three and the competition will be by medal knock-out rather than 72 holes of stroke-play.

This has been tried before though with no lasting success, a variation of the traditional match play and merely guaranteeing that every game goes to the 18th green.

The man with the lower score earns a point for his team, with three points at stake in each match. Any game that finishes level after 18 holes goes into sudden death, so there is no possibility of the two teams tieing.

Lost interest

The World Cup, which came into being in 1955 and was called the Canada Cup until 1966, began to decline when prize money failed to keep pace with that of the bigger tournaments.

Players lost interest and began looking for excuses not to play. Tom Watson, for instance, has never represented the United States, which is absurd considering his record.

The financial incentive has certainly been restored by the Dunhill Cup, despite today's inflated standards. Even the members of the defeated team in the final will each collect £44,642, while first-round losers of the competition proper will each receive £6,696.

Eight teams will be seeded into the 16-nation finals, the remaining eight coming from two qualifying rounds in Italy from April 12-14 and in HongKong from May 2-4. Prize money in both will amount to around £80,000 and it will be televised.

South Africa excluded

Curiously, there are no hard-and-fast rules to govern selection of any of the teams. This will be in the hands of a seven-man committee, of which Mr McCormack can be regarded as the most influential.

Not even the committee itself has yet been decided, though it will also include Ken Schofield, executive director of the PGA European Tour, and Colin Maclaine, a former chairman of the Royal and Ancient championship committee.

For that reason, no decision has been made on which countries will be seeded. The United States, Australia, Japan, Spain, England and Scotland would appear likely to be among them, but there is no place for South Africa, even in the qualifying rounds.

Tony Greener, managing director of Dunhill, said: "As a British company we are bound by Government guidelines and the Gleneagles agreement, so South Africa will not be participating."

FELTWELL MEETING

Feltwell, the Norfolk golf club sited on Ministry of Defence land and threatened by the Government on New Year's Eve with eviction, will hold an extraordinary meeting of its 240 members on Feb. 12 to decide whether the offer of a new lease should be accepted.

Tom Watson . . . has never represented the United States, which is absurd considering his record.

United States Golf

Peete and Faldo explain success secrets

By ALEX LANCASTER in Phoenix

CALVIN PEETE and Nick Faldo, after winning £72,300 and £14,750 respectively, as winner and fourth-placed of the Phoenix Open, yesterday explained in some detail the secrets of their success.

Peete was clearly having eye trouble during his third-round 74. "I thought I might have to withdraw,' he explained. "I probably would have done, if I had not been in the running.

"Then the eye doctor gave me some medication and my sight improved. I putted really well all week."

The key to Peete's victory was an error made by his closest challenger, Doug Tewell, at the 14th.

Tewel drove into a bunker and then hit out of bounds to take a seven. He finally finished joint second with Morris Hatalsky, two strokes behind Peete.

Change in swing

Faldo's explanation of his fine form was to do with a major change in his swing. "On Friday night, after I had hooked several drives into trees, I decided to try something that David Leadbetter, the coach, told me about after I had finished second in a tournament, behind Seve Ballesteros.

"Basically it's a method to stop me pulling the ball to the left all the time," continued Faldo.

"I used to try to keep the club face very square and got my whole action in a closed position. My right elbow became the dominant factor and I hooked everything — especially under pressure.

"Leadbetter advised me to start taking the club away with as wide a swing as possible, and then to bend to open the club face as much as I could at impact. As soon as I got my right elbow pointing down in the hitting zone I had few fears about hooking.

Worked well

"I toyed with it all in Africa but, as I was doing well, I decided to shelve the new idea until later. I had a long break over Christmas, so I didn't get down until I got here."

Everything worked out right for Faldo and his last round 66 could have been even better, for he missed three putts of less than 10 feet in the last nine holes.

Armed with his "new" swing he competes on Thursday in the Los Angeles Open, where he is joined by Bernhard Langer, Sandy Lyle and Peter Oosterhuis. "I'm looking forward to a really fine year," was Faldo's parting shot.

Calvin Peete . . . overcame eye trouble to win in Phoenix.

270—C. Peete 65, 65, 72, 68.
272—D. Tewell 67, 68, 65, 72; M. Hatalsky 68, 70, 66, 70.
275—N. Faldo (GB) 67, 73, 69, 66; D. Pooley 70, 67, 70, 68; D. Forsman 70, 69, 70, 66; J. Mahaffey 68, 72, 72, 63; C. Pavin 70, 69, 67, 69; L. Roberts 69, 72, 66, 68.
276—E. Fiori 69, 71, 65, 71.
277—J. Aoki (Japan) 66, 70, 67, 74; L. Wadkins 70, 69, 71, 67; B. Fabel 69, 69, 71, 68.
278—J. Miller 71, 68, 67, 72; C. Beck 69, 70, 67, 72.
Other British: 291—S. Lyle 69, 73, 72, 77.

Motor Cycling

BRANDS HOSTS EIGHT RACES

Supercross—rallycross on two wheels—returns to Brands Hatch on Sunday, three weeks after its debut in Britain.

The eight-race programme features the joint leaders in the expert/senior class, Chris Watts (Colchester, 500cc Honda) and Wayne Lamb (Louth, 500cc Kawasaki), battling for domination.

Michael Jones (Swansea) will be looking to add to two open-round victories in the junior class

Lawn Tennis

McEnroe chases fourth title in row

By JOHN PARSONS

JOHN McENROE should have no difficulty finding fresh inspiration at the Ebel U S Pro Indoor Championship in freezing Philadelphia this week — even though he has won the title for the last three years.

The American World Champion knows that, if he wins again, he will not only become the first to win four times in succession but will match the achievements of two other great names, Rod Laver and Jimmy Connors.

And McEnroe, who lost only three of his 85 matches in 1984, is determined to sustain the renewed momentum he displayed earlier this month when retaining the Masters title.

Intriguing contest

Connors will be among McEnroe's principal rivals in his first major tournament of the 1985 Grand Prix circuit, which has now passed to the umbrella sponsorship of Nabisco.

Despite the withdrawals of Ivan Lendl, with the recurrence of strained stomach muscles which have been worrying him for two months, and Kevin Curren, who is in need of dental surgery, the entry is probably the strongest in the history of the event.

For a draw of 48 players, in which all the seeds have byes into the second round, the cut-off for direct entries was 74th position on the world rankings.

French connection

McEnroe, who meets fellow American Terry Moor or Martin Davis in his opening match tomorrow, has a potentially intriguing third-round contest lined up against Henri Leconte, or another Frenchman Yannick Noah, who is rapidly returning to form after his lengthy injury problems last year.

Among those who have fought their way through a particularly tough qualifying competition is Sammy Giammalva, who surprisingly upset Mats Wilander, Philadephia's third seed, in the Young Masters in Birmingham.

For the first time for several years, there will be no British involvement at The Spectrum. John Lloyd and Stephen Shaw, the top-ranked British men, both have their next tournament at the Players' Lipton International at Delray Beach, Florida, on Feb. 5-17.

CUMBERLAND OPT TO OPEN L T A CIRCUIT

By BILL EDWARDS

CUMBERLAND, whose tournament is one of the oldest in the lawn tennis calendar, are putting their heads on the block.

Under pressure, they have agreed to open the five-week, £75,000, L T A international spring circuit at Hampstead on April 16-20.

Their future sponsorship from British Home Stores, which this year amounts to £8,000, rests on the success of this change from a normal tournament, which instead of being mainly a British affair could now be dominated by overseas players.

Computer points are the objective at the end of the circuit for they are the key to the big money tournaments.

Review after year

Cumberland were always oversubscribed in entries, providing competition for something like 200 players. Now that will be reduced to 32 men and 32 women, and home players will have to play through a qualifying competition to get in.

Denis Cassidy, the BHS managing director, said: "We always liked the old-fashioned way of Cumberland but we must be prepared to consider a change. Normally, we would have given Cumberland a three-year undertaking, but now we will have to review it after one year."

One advantage of the new circuit is that it caters for both men and women, as Cumberland have always done.

Mike Certin, the tournament director of the L T A said: "We are aiming to provide more tournament players and at the same time give our players more opportunity of going for computer points."

Following Cumberland, the circuit will move to Queen's Club, London (April 23-27), Sutton (April 30-May 4), West Hants Club, Bournemouth (May 7-11) and Lee-on-Solent (May 14-18).

Butchers' £500 offer

By BILL EDWARDS

THE announcement of a £500 award by Dewhurst the butchers to the young British player who makes the most progress from the new L T A circuit which got under way at Peterborough yesterday brought the best out of them.

They had a field day, with Nick Fulwood, Leighton Allred, Jason Goodall, David Felgate and Michael Walker all winning their first-round matches. Except in the case of Goodall, all wins were against overseas opposition.

Fulwood beat the Dutchman Chris Bereeren 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, Walker dismissed Lars Malmgren (Sweden) 6-3, 6-3, Alfred was involved in an amazing 40-point tie-breaker to dismiss Jarek Srenensky (Switzerland) 6-3, 6-7, 6-2, and Felgate had a comfortable 6-3, 6-3 win over Denys Maasdorp, of South Africa.

Goodall's success was at the expense of Richard Whichello, the British junior indoor champion, whom he beat 6-4, 6-3. A remarkable fact of the rivalry between these two top juniors is that Goodall always comes out better in the senior events and Whichello when they are playing as juniors.

National rankings show Goodall at No. 10 among the seniors, with Whichello placed in the second group. Yet among the under-18s, Whichello is No. 1 and Goodall No. 2.

L T A SATELLITE CIRCUIT (Peterborough).—1st Rd: E. Durie (N Z) bt S. Gendersen (D S) 6-4, 6-4; N. Fulwood bt C. Verstreen (Bel.) 4-6, 6-4, 6-2; N. Walker bt L. Malmgren (Swe.) 6-3, 6-3; P. Lundgren (Swe.) bt R. Simon (Hol.) 6-3, 6-4; L. Alfred bt J. Srenensky (Switz.) 6-3, 6-7, 6-2; J. Goodall bt R. Whichello 6-4, 6-3; L. Werner (Switz.) bt P. Lindgren (Swe.) 6-2, 3-6, 7-5; R. Viernstedt (U S) bt S. Eriksson (Swe.) 6-1, 1-6; D. Maasdrop (S A) 6-3, 6-3; C. Fancutt (Swe.) 6-3, 1-6, 6-1; D. Felgate bt (Austria) bt T. Bawelos (Gre) 6-3, 6-3.

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"British Pop" . . . the 77ft Maxi yacht, which was being built by Mitsubishi Marine at Plymouth for the late Robert James to compete in the Whitbread Round-the-World Race, recently had its hull and deck mouldings transported and towed to Robert Lipsett's yard at East Cowes for completion and fitting out.

Britain may have triple entry

By TONY FAIRCHILD

NEW ZEALAND rivalry, between skippers, crews and designers, is attracting interest in the Whitbread Round-the-World Race, likely to have at least one British entry.

While doubts remain about the extent of British involvement in the 27,000-mile voyage, starting from Portsmouth on Sept. 28 New Zealand involvement is guaranteed.

There will be two New Zealand yachts: Lady Taylor's Enterprise New Zealand, and Peter Blake's Lion New Zealand and designed respectively by Bruce Farr and Ron Holland — both New Zealanders.

Rivalry here is intense because it was Farr who drew for Blake the lines of Ceramco New Zealand, and which might have gained overall victory in the Whitbread race of four years ago but for an early dismasting.

Compulsory halts

At 78ft, the Blake yacht is 2ft shorter than the Taylor boat, one of three Farr-designed Maxis to be built for the fourth such Whitbread voyage and the reason for further New Zealand rivalry.

Biggest of the Farr boats is Apple Macintosh, built for Peter Kuttel. He lives in Florida, sends his children to school in Britain but his boat was built in Cape Town where he has business interests.

The Kuttel yacht, the only Farr Maxi to be masthead rigged, will compete in the race—which has compulsory halts in Cape Town, Auckland and Montevideo—with the mast and rigging from the Dutch yacht Flyer which won all major prizes in the last Whitbread event.

The third Farr boat, the 80ft U B F Switzerland—the owener is the Swiss Pierre Fehlman and the sponsor a bank—has a traditional rig like Enterprise New Zealand.

Two uncertain

Because she is too big to go through the Swiss mountain tunnels, Fehlman's boat is to be flown from Geneva, where she was built, to the South of France, where she is to be completed.

There will be two Swiss entries for the Whitbread voyage, two from Holland, and three each from France and Italy. There could be three from Britain in the total of more than 20 although two are uncertain.

But with what began as Colt Cars, the 77-footer designed by Ron Holland, being moved from Plymouth to Cowes by way of Bursledon, there does seem a good chance that she will be completed and will race under British colours.

Simon Le Bon, lead singer with the pop group Duran Duran, is understood to be buying the boat — only legal niceties prevent full revelation of the facts, it seems — and with the American "Skip" Novak to be in command.

With respect to Novak, an experienced Round-the-World skipper, it will seem a pity if "British Pop" is not under the command of a Briton.

The myth, being given wide credence, that there are no Britons capable of undertaking such a task as skipper is nonsense.

There are a dozen who come to mind at once: Ian Bailey-Wilmot, Chay Blyth, Peter Bruce, Andy Burnell, David Halsey, Robin Knox-Johnston, Martin Minter-Kemp, Roy Mullender, John Oakeley, Tom Richardson, "Spud" Spedding, and Alex Watson.

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Rugby Union

ALL BLACK KIRK MAKES EARLY OXFORD SORTIE

By JOHN MASON

DAVID KIRK, the All Blacks' reserve scrum-half, will lead New Zealand Universities against Oxford University at Iffley Road tomorrow at the start of a 13-match European tour. The opportunity is doubly welcome for he will be taking a close look at future colleagues.

Arrangements are being made for Kirk, 24, a medical student, to return to Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar, either next winter or the following year. Kirk, from Otago, has practical work at an Auckland hospital to complete before he can join the Dark Blues.

The 25-strong New Zealand student party, managed by Michael Cormack and coached by Alan McCrae, flew into London on Sunday. They have been training in Oxford and, by coincidence, have already met Neil Macdonald, Oxford's captain.

"On our very first outing in Oxford we were relaxing after the journey," explained Malcolm McPhee, spokesman for the tourists, yesterday. "In marches this enormous young man and we say to ourselves that we hope we don't meet him on the field.

"Our liaison man joins us, spots the big fellow and brings him across to be introduced. And that's how we met Neil Macdonald within hours of arriving in Oxford—and very pleasant company he was, too."

Previous visit

Mr McPhee added: "The better-known players in the party include a few who have played representative rugby at home, though David is the only All Black. He was in Britain last season when Andy Donald was the other scrum-half."

The Universities play Cambridge at Grange Road on Saturday which, among other things, should have Kirk, either as player or bench reserve, taking all manner of mental notes. They complete the English section of the tour at Otley next Wdnsday.

Two matches in Dublin and one each in Cork and Dublin will be played before the Universities move on to Italy and France. In addition to major matches against Irish Universities and French Universities, they will also meet Italy A in Brescia.

As New Zealand's students get under way tomorrow, their schoolboys will be winding up against England Schools at Twickenham, the 12th match of a tour which began in Wales last month. The last two matches have been cancelled because of ground conditions.

One defeat

Ten matches have been won, the only defeat being against Wales, who won 12-9 in Cardiff on Dec. 22. They have been led by Matthew Stone, a hooker, and have scored 304 points while conceding 46. Only Wales have reached double figures against them. All Black rugby appears to be in good hands.

There have been a host of bad luck an dbad weather sporting stories of late, not leas the premature cancellation of England's match in Dublin. Hats off, then, to King's Norton R.F.C. who play at Hopwood on the Redditch side of Birmingham. They have played the three matches scheduled for the past three Saturdays.

South East Rugby

GRAVESEND LIFT FOR BLACKHEATH

By BILL DAY

GRAVESEND will help Blackheath prepare for their John Player Special Cup match at Wakefield on Saturday.

The North Kent junior club are staging a special match against Blackheath tomorrow night in an effort to help their illustrious opponents gain match fitness for their third round tie.

The hastily-arranged game, under the Milton Road floodlights, also helps Gravesend prepare for their tough Kent Cup quarter-final game at home to Askeans on Sunday.

The other quarter-finals are: Beeteshanger v Maidstone, Dartfordians v Blackheath and Nat-West Bank v Westcombe.

Havant progress

Havant moved a step closer to retaining the Hampshire Cup with a 10-4 quarter-final victory away to snow-free Jersey.

Jeff Lewis, scrum-half, and Derek Morris, centre scored the tries as Havant won one of the few matches played at the weekend.

The prize for ingenuity in overcoming the appalling conditions goes to Mitcham. They made more than 20 telephone calls before finding a school pitch available at Raynes Park on which they could stage their match against Merton.

Gary Ashburn, the club captain, made his first appearance of the season after recovering from a serious knee injury and Mitcham won 18-6, their 13th victory in another successful season for one of the region's most ambitious clubs.

Rugby League

GARNER ON MOVE

Fulham have signed Steve Garner, the Keighley forward who was transfer-listed at £10,000. Garner has played 10 matches on loan for Fulham and is a former Barla Youth Player of the Year.

GREGORY MOVES

Warrington have signed Andy Gregory, the Widnes and former Great Britain scrum-half for £75,000. The original fee of £150,000 would have been a world record but was reduced on appeal.

BOWLS

RONNIE LAMB LIVIERIES OPEN TRIPLES (Paddington). — C. Mason (Mansfield) bt T. Balaam (Century) 22-12—R. Warburton (Mansfield) bt C. Jouanide (Dartford) 22-21—D. Sewell (Sutton) bt D. McMurray (Hatfield) 13-12—M. Bradley (Mansfield) bt C. Simpson (Desborough) 17-7—M. Norris (Century) bt S. Wheeler (Paddington) 16-10.

CYCLING

ROTTERDAM 6-DAY (3rd night).—5, Tourne & E. de Wilde (Belgium) 188pts. 1. British: T. Doyle & G. Wiggins (Australia) 126, 5.

Marc Girardelli . . . hurtling to his fourth slalom victory in the World Cup this season in Wengen yesterday.

STENMARK ON WAY BACK

By ALAN SMITH in Wengen

MARC GIRARDELLI won his fourth World Cup slalom of the season when taking the delayed Lauberhorn event in Wengen yesterday.

The race took place in brilliant sunshine, which the organisers had longed for in vain, for the two downhills.

Girardelli, 21, took a lead of nearly half-a-second in the first run over his old rival, Ingemar Stenmark, and increased it magnificently second time down. His powerful turning was an amazing sight.

This was, nevertheless, an encouraging return to form for the brilliant Swede, whose skill with his rapier skis has been legendary for the past decade, but who is still looking for his first win this season.

With the world championships in Bormio now only just over a week away, Stenmark's revival has come at the right time.

Dominant figure

Although Girardelli has been the dominant figure in both slalom and giant slalom races this season, when his rivals go into the starting gate for the world championships he is the one none of them will have to worry about.

Just as in last season's Winter Olympic Games Girardelli is an official "outcast", not allowed to take part. But at least then he had exalted company in Ingemar Stenmark.

The Swede was barred on financial grounds. Though not quite labelled a professional, neither was he reckoned to be quite an amateur.

Quite rightly this nebulous dividing line is not enough to keep him out of the Bormio races, but Girardelli's "crime" is the seemingly more heinous one of ski-ing for Luxembourg when he was born an Austrian.

WORLD CUP SLALOM (Wengen).—M. Girardelli (Luxembourg) 1min 36·25s, 1; I. Stenmark (Sweden) 1·37·01, 2; P. Frommelt (Liechtenstein) 1·37·35, 3; R. Zoller (Austria) 1·37·89, 4; B. Krizaj (Yugoslavia) 1·38·11, 5; A. Giorgi (Italy) 1·38·04, 6.

Ice Hockey

Goalkeeper Brine deflates Dundee

By HOWARD BASS

DUNDEE ROCKETS, the reigning Heineken League champions, put themselves back in with a chance of retaining the title with their televised 10-7 home triumph over Fife Fliers, the current Premier Division leaders.

Steve Salter, signed from Nottingham as a short-term measure to replace the injured Roy Halpin, scored three in a noteworthy debut.

But the Rockets' soaring spirits later fell in a 6-4 defeat at Streatham Redskins. Gary Brine was outstanding in the Redskins goal, ironically after Mike Ward, the Dundee first-choice goalkeeper, had left the ice suffering from concussion.

Fife stay top of the table following their 13-6 success against visiting Cleveland Bombers. Danny Brown got four and Dave Stoyanovich three for the Fliers.

Less predictably, Cleveland went down 10-4 at Whitley Warriors. Alfie Miller claimed three goals in the first win for the Warriors in nine games, though marred in the final minutes by a flare-up between the players.

Southampton lose

With Frank Killen back in goal, Durham Wasps won 17-3 at Southampton Viking's after being held 3-3 at the first interval.

Jamie Crapper netted six times and Paul Tilley four, while the Vikings suffered from the absence of goalkeeper Charlie Colon with a hamstring injury.

Southampton had started well the previous day at Nottingham Panthers, leading 2-1 in the middle session, but Greg McDonald, scoring three of his side's goals in the final period, proved the decisive factor in a 7-2 victory for the Panthers.

Two easy wins have given Solihull Barons a precarious First Division lead. Dean Vogelgesang scored six and Mark Budz five in their 21-4 romp at Grimsby. Each bagged another four in an 18-3 home gain over Lee Valley.

HEINEKEN LGE. — Premier Div: Ayr 6, Murrayfield 6—Dundee 10, Fife 7—Fife 16, Cleveland 6—Nottingham 7, Southampton 2.

Southampton 3, Durham 17—Streatham 6, Dundee 4—Whitley 10, Cleveland 4.

Div. I: Altrincham 6, Deeside 4—Crowtree 7, Altrincham 3—Grimsby 4, Solihull 21.

Solihull 18, Lee Valley 3.

The tables

HEINEKEN LEAGUE
Premier Division

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Fife	20	14	4	2	195	99	30
Murrayfld	19	13	4	2	169	105	28
Durham	17	12	4	1	148	89	25
Dundee	20	11	8	1	141	136	23
Streatham	18	10	6	2	127	102	22
Cleveland	20	9	9	2	154	157	20
Nott'm	20	9	10	1	90	105	19
Ayr	19	6	11	2	134	163	14
Whitley	20	5	14	1	150	191	11
S'hmpton	18	0	18	0	61	220	0

Division 1

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Solihull	12	11	1	0	215	39	22
Peterboro'	10	10	0	0	173	49	20
Crowtree	10	8	2	0	137	78	16
Lee Valley	11	7	4	0	89	65	14
Glasgow	10	6	4	0	131	71	12
Blackpool	8	4	4	0	83	72	8
Altrincham	8	3	5	0	41	63	6
Bournemth	11	3	8	0	83	133	6
Grimsby	13	3	10	0	74	192	6
Deeside	11	1	9	1	40	147	3
Richmond	10	0	9	1	27	184	1

STORMING VICTORY BY FIGINI

MICHELA FIGINI, of Switzerland, produced a storming second run to win the women's giant slalom in Saint-Gervais, France, yesterday — her second World Cup victory in five days.

Figini, 18, Olympic downhill champion, was seventh after the first leg but produced the day's fastest run over the 45-gate course to snatch her sixth win in 17 days in a combined time of 2 minutes 47·61 seconds.

Elisabeth Kirchler, of Austria, was second in 2-47·85 and Anne-Flore Rey, of France, third in 2-47·93.

Nothing to lose

Miss Figini, who won a downhill in nearby Megeve on Sunday, said: "I was very relaxed because I had nothing to lose and everything to gain—but I really didn't expect to win."

She added that she now hopes to be selected for the giant slalom as well as the downhill in the World Championships in Italy starting at the end of this month.

M. Figini (Switzerland) 2:47·61, 1; E. Kirchler (Austria) 2:47·85, 2; A.-F. Rey (France) 2:47·93, 3; T. McKinney (US) 2:48·04, 4; I. Salvenmoser (Austria) 2:48·08, 5; E. Hess (Switzerland) 2:48·31, 6.

R A F M'TNG (La Plagne, France).—Social Slalom: Jnr Tech. S. MacDonald 1; Col R. Springett 2. Giant Slalom: Acting P/O D. Cairns 1; MacDonald 2. Combined: MacDonald. Station: Kinloss.

NORDIC SKI-ING

WORLD CH'SHIPS (Seefeld). — Women's 5km cross-country: A. Boe (Norway) 15min 14·80sec 1; M.-L. Kirvesniemi (Finland) 15:25·10, 2; G. Nykkelmo (Norway) 15:26·60, 3. British: L. Jeffrey 20:13·1, 57.

Women's Hockey

TERRITORY EVENT IS RESHAPED

By NANCY TOMKINS

A COMPREHENSIVE revision of the women's territorial hockey programme, badly cut by the wintry spell, has materialised.

The rearranged fixture between Midlands and North will go ahead this morning at Abbey Park, Leicester, but everything else, will be incorporated in an enlarged three-day tournament on Friday.

The venue will be Coldham's Common in Cambridgeshire, and eight matches are scheduled, including the South v Midlands game planned for next Monday.

This enforced new look for theterritorial match programme anticipates the revised schedule for next season, when the trappings around England to seven different destinations in two weeks will disappear from the calendar.

Robinson ignored

Those expecting Val Robinson, who competed in B teams tournament 10 days ago, to be included in the North squad today are disappointed. The North selectors decided Mrs Robinson had no further part in the territorial matches.

Incredibly she remains officially uninformed of that decision. It is still premature to write off Mrs Robinson as the England selectors saw her at Durham, but the end may come with England's team announcements next weekend.

Lobb unavailable

The Midlands indoor internationals Mary Cheetham and Denise Parker return, though Karen Lobb cannot get leave today. Her place is taken by Liz McVey, of Bedfordshire.

Avon and Devon found their indoor finalists on Sunday for the West clubs championship at Bristol at the end of the month. Clifton beat Redlands 3-1 at Yate, and Exeter Ladies squeezed past Exmouth 4-3 at Teignmouth.

Rackets/Real Tennis

CONFIDENCE IN BRAITHWAITE

By ROB McLEAN

Maj Chris Braithwaite and Maj David Reed-Felstead are again the respective favourites to win the Army rackets and real tennis titles at Queen's Club, West Kensington, this week.

In the regimental rackets doubles, Brig Andrew Myrtle, winner of the singles championship 30 years ago, and Col Tim Toyne-Sewell, are top seeds.

RACKETS

Singles—2nd Rd: Braithwaite bt Craven-Griffiths 15-0, 15-3, 15-1; Finlayson bt Chamberlin 15-8, 15-12, 15-9.

Regimental Doubles, 2nd Rd: Myrtle & Toyne-Sewell (KOSB) bt Groke & Lt-Col Gordon (RA) 15-2, 15-8, 15-0; Reed-Felstead & Fraser (H Cav Regt) bt Aitken & Watts (RAOC/RAEC) 16-13, 15-3, 15-2.

Combined Services Doubles, Post & Present.—1st Rd: Gordon & Chamberlin bt Luard & Bonner 15-8, 15-5, 15-10; Finlayson & Hepburn bt Eberle & McCorquodale 15-6, 15-10, 15-3; Greville-Heygate & Meredith bt Pardon & Gourlet 15-5, 15-4, 15-9, Danby & Garede bt Parsons & Shorrock 15-10, 15-2, 15-7; Robertson & Trusted bt Phillips & Moriarty 15-4, 15-2, 15-1.

REAL TENNIS

Singles, 1st Rd: Aitken bt Broke 7-6; Watts w.o. Hanson-Smith (r); Groom bt Maslin 12-2, Finlayson bt Parsons 12-6.

American Football

Montana soon has Miami reeling

By JAMES LAWTON

NOT since Joe Namath, of New York Jets, destroyed the Baltimore Colts in 1969 has a Superbowl quarter-back performed as masterfully as did San Francisco's Joe Montana in Stanford, California, on Sunday.

Montana was both the heart and intellect of the 49ers' unexpectedly comfortable 38-16 victory over the celebrated offence of the Miami Dolphins.

But though Montana won all the individual honours and upstaged his young rival from Miami, Dan Marino, he was the first to admit that he was part of a superb team performance orchestrated by 49er coach Bill Walsh.

Montana had good protection from an offensive line inspired by Keith Fahnhorst and Randy Cross, and was given a wide range of options by the play of running backs Roger Craig and Wendell Tyler and tight-end Russ Francis.

But it was Walsh's defensive strategy that pushed Miami against the ropes and Marino into the mud.

The result was an almost complete collapse of an offence many believed to be one of the best in the history of the game. By half-time it was clear enough that Miami and Marino had been victims of gross overstatement.

A pair of field goals by Uwe Von Schamann late in the first half had given the Dolphins a veneer of respectability at 16-28 at half time but in the second half the 49ers effortlessly closed down Marino.

Montana agreed that part of his motivation had ben the two-week build-up of Marino and his offensive unit. "We kept hearing about Marino and the Miami offence and we thought: "Hey, we have some offence too. Sure it all added up to a lot of motivation for us."

NFL records tumbled to Montana, who became only the third player to be twice voted most valuable player in the Superbowl.

Montana threw three touchdown passes, ran for another touchdown and set Superbowl records with his 331 yards of passing and 59 yards of rushing.

Meanwhile, Marino was being branded as a "cocky kid" after brushing aside reporters and crying: "Get away from me." This ignored the fact that some judges believed the American sports media to be guilty of building up a hero before his time, then gleefully shooting him down.

Roger Craig flies through the air to cross the goal line for a San Francisco 49ers' touchdown

RICHTER IS FASTEST

By A Special Correspondent in Cervinia

Two East Germans set the pace on the first day of practice for the four-man event at the World Bobsleigh Championships in Cervinia, Italy, yesterday — but Wolfgang Hoppe, the double Olympic champion took a back seat. Already pre-selected for next weekend's race, Hoppe sauntered down in fifth place. Now Detlef Richter, who had the best time yesterday, and Bernhard Lehmann, will have a race-off to decide who partners Hoppe.

Nick Phipps, the British champion, with his crew of Bob Thorne, Paddy Bredin and Alan Cearns, delighted coach Peter Hell with a best time of 1m. 5·87s.—compared with Richter's 1m. 4·75s.

Hospitals Cup

St Mary's face threat from Royal Free

By RUPERT CHERRY

THE Hospitals Rugby Cup which, after a week's postponement, starts today, will have only 11 teams instead of the dozen who have competer since 1967, when the Royal Free entered, because the medical schools of Charing Cross and Westminster have amalgamated.

Both Charing Cross and Westminster reached the semi-finals last year and as one team, known as CXW, under the captaincy of Dai Richards, the Charing Cross centre, they may be expected to do the same, although the proces of integration has not been easy.

The favourites are again St Mary's winners in the last two years, cup-holders 24 times and 37 times finalists. Patrick Horner, of London Irish, a wing forward of considerable experience, is their captain.

However, they will be strongly challenged by the Royal Free, who held them to a draw in the final last year. Thanks largely to Paul Jackson, the Harlequins No. 8, St Mary's won the replay.

Jackson, who has played in six finals, is unlikely to be available, and Peter Enevoldson, prop forward will definitely be missing.

But St Mary's have "Bill" Bailey, the Cambridge Blue, prop, and Andy Fields, a good outside-half, to replace Jonathan Miles. They also have strength in depth.

The Royal Free, who reached the final for the first time last year, are full of confidence.

They expect that Dave Walsh, the London Irish fullback, will still be able to play for them, although probably at outside-half, and Tony Watkinson centre, the Oxford Blue, is still available.

They also have David Holdsworth, of Wakefield, a swift and capable wing, and David Stocks, 19, a No. 8 from Rosslyn Park. The Royal Free's season has gone well under the captaincy of John Hare, fullback.

DRAW.—1st Rd: Middlesex v St. George's, The London v Barts; King's College v UCH.

2nd Rd: Middlesex or St George's v St Mary's; Guy's v St. Thomas's; The London or Barts v CXW; King's College or UCH v Royal Free.

Semi-finals on Feb. 13 & 20 and final on March 6 at Rosslyn Park ground, Roehampton.

Rugby in Wales

ENCOURAGING FOR NORSTER

By DAVID GREEN

ROBERT NORSTER, Wales and Cardiff lock-forward who broke his jaw a month ago, is likely to recover in time to face England at Cardiff on Feb. 16.

Norster will start training this week provided that his injury passes the scrutiny of an X-ray.

This means there is every possibility that he will be match fit for the England game. So it is sad news for his deputy David Waters, of Newport, who is still uncapped and, at 29, running out of time.

Ian Stephens, Bridgend's loose-head prop, is having problems with a back injury which has restricted his appearances since the Wales-Australia game on Nov. 24 to two, namely Bridgend's game against Maesteg on Boxing Day and Barbarians v Leicester next day.

Stephens doubt

The injury does not seem to be responding to treatment. Stephens is out of Bridgend's cup match against Gowerton on Saturday and his availability for the England match must be considered extremely doubtful.

One of the most respected props in world rugby, Stephens at 32 has a season or two left at the top level. Certainly Bridgend, dogged by injuries this season, and Wales will hope his recovery is not long delayed.

However, apart from Stephens and Roy Evans, lock forward, whose ankle injury will probably keep him out for the season, Bridgend's fitness difficulties seem over, a fact which may herald a return to the glorious rugby they played after Christmas last season.

Volleyball

BROOKFIELD LET IT SLIP

By VICTOR HEAD

Brookfield, struggling near the fot of the Britvic National Volleyball League, suffered a further setback in losing 3-1 at Leeds despite taking the first set 15-11.

But good news for the Merseysiders is the prospect of keeping their Chinese international, Yu Yang Hong, whose visa has expired. His appeal against deportation stands a better chance now that his wife has gained British citizenship.

Yu Yang Hong, a 5ft 9ins setter of outstanding ability, was China's Under-21 captain and led the Chinese team that won the World Schools' Championship in 1979.

Leeds' victory puts them into joint third place with the champions, Capital City Spikers. Team Mizuno's 3-1 success at Redwood enabled them to slip into second place two points behind Speedwell.

Schools Hockey

Felsted still at strength

By CHRIS MOORE

SIR ROGER MANWOODS have just returned from Barcelona, where they played in the annual Los Reyes tournament. Six players remain from last season's team, including outstanding goalkeeper Chris Mercer.

Mark Overton and John Ashton, who have both played for Birmingham schools, are among six first-team players turning out again at King Edward VI, Five Ways, where hockey is played in both terms. So far the results have been encouraging, with only one defeat outside tournaments.

John Cockett remains firmly in charge at Felsted, where only one school match was lost last season. Six members of a young team remain, including Edmund Daubeny, Danny Griggs and Julian Hannable, who have all played for Essex under-18.

Trent College were unbeaten by schools last season and Daryl Shorthose, who has played for Beeston's first XI, will captain the side. Three others from last season's team are available again.

Aldenham, with a very young and inexperienced team, won only four of their 15 matches in 1984 but are hopeful of better results this season. Charlie Harrison and Neil Davies are likely to be their outstanding players, with Dominic Scott-Knight, who has arrived from Radley, a useful addition to the side.

Mark Borsey and Ricky Bartlett, who have already represented Somerset under-21, are among five players still at Taunton School from the 1984 team. Despite losing to local rivals Queen's, Taunton for the first time in 15 years, Taunton had every reason to be pleased with their 1984 results.

Queen's have lost only five games in four years but, with a relatively young side, they will be looking to outstanding goalkeeper Sam Garrick to help them to maintain this level of success.

Bruce Lunt and Chris Behan, two outstanding defenders, are again in the Bromsgrove team, where they will be relying heavily on the goal-scoring ability of centre-forward Kurt Eyre.

Reed's School, guided by Richard Garrett, achieved some good results including victories over Wellington and Mill Hill and had five players available for this season's side.

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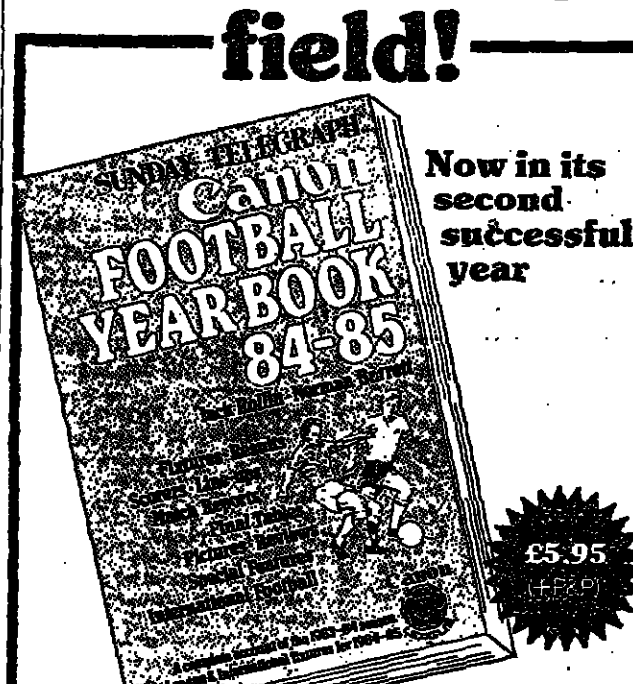

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ARSENAL PLAN TO 'MOP UP' HEREFORD

By ROGER MALONE

ARSENAL, having borrowed a "motorised mop," to guarantee tonight's F A Cup replay against Hereford—barring a sudden deluge—should have Tony Woodcock available.

Their leading scorer, with 15 goals this season, including three for England, Woodcock is under treatment for a knee injury after colliding with Chelsea's goalkeeper on Saturday.

Last night, though, Don Howe, the Arsenal manager, said: "It looks as though he is going to be fit in time."

After Woodcock gave Arsenal the lead at Hereford 17 days ago, Chris Price equalised for the Fourth Division side—and right-back Price is doubtful too, also because of knee trouble.

Ken Brown, the Norwich manager, will announce today, after discussions with his directors, punishment for defender Greg Downs and winger Lou Donowa for the unusual offence of squaring up to one another.

The flare-up, which resulted in goalkeeper Chris Woods separating his colleagues, came when Downs and Donowa clashed over who was at fault when John Wark was allowed too much room against Liverpool on Saturday.

"I will not tolerate that sort of behaviour, which reflects badly on the club," said Mr Brown. "There is no way I can allow it to pass unpunished."

Oxford and **Leeds** officials will appear before an F A inquiry at the Manor Road ground today. Both clubs have been charged with failing to keep their supporters under control.

This follows a report by Essex referee John Moules on events during Oxford's 5-2 home win in November, when their goalkeeper Steve Hardwick was allegedly struck on the head by coins.

Celtic have decided not to appeal against U E F A's decision to fine them £17,000 and order their next European home game to be behind closed-doors. This follows crowd trouble during Celtic's replayed match against Rapid Vienna.

Nicky Cross, the **West Bromwich** striker unable to gain regular selection, has been placed on the transfer list at his own request. **Wolves** escaped a winding-up order yesterday when a £5,000 unpaid hotel bill was settled.

Tottenham, who are keeping an eye on several Continental players with a view to possible purchase in the summer, confirm that Max Bossis, Nantes' French international defenderfi is among them.

PLEAT WAITS IN HOPE WITH NICHOLAS BID

DAVID PLEAT is hopeful that Peter Nicholas, Crystal Palace's Welsh international midfield player, will join Luton's fight for First Division survival later this week, writes **Michael Calvin**.

The Kenilworth Road manager, aware that his promising young midfield players may be ill-equipped to cope with the physical challenge of a difficult season, is ready to invest £150,000 in the robust approach of Nicholas.

But Mr Pleat is being frustrated by Palace's insistence that no deal can be concluded before their F A Cup fate is settled in the third round replay against Millwall, which is scheduled for tomorrow.

He intends to reduce his offer if Nicholas is Cup-tied and said: "Obviously, the quicker a decision is made the better. We need a competitive player like Peter because there have been times this season when we have lacked a little bit of devil."

Comeback attempt

The Luton manager is, however, encouraged by the news that Paul Elliott, his England Under-21 defender, may not miss the rest of the season after all.

Elliott's recovery from a broken leg has given rise to optimism that he will be ready to begin his comeback attempt in early March, when an operation is planned to remove a metal plate.

Mr Pleat, delighted at the defensive impact of Steve Foster, also recognised the long-term advantages of the weekend trip to Iceland.

He was impressed at the German-manufactured artificial pitch the team played on in Reykjavik. It has already been established that, if the club moved to Milton Keynes, they would play on an all-weather surface.

As the party left for home, there was further indication of the respect accorded to English football. KR Reykjavik, beaten by Queens Park Rangers in the U E F A Cup earlier this season, announced they were confident that Gordon Lee, the former Everton manager, would join them next month.

Tony Woodcock . . . should be fit for Arsenal tonight.

GOLAC ABSENT

Yugoslav full back Ivan Golac, who made his Portsmouth debut in Saturday's goalless draw at Middlesbrough, will miss tomorrow night's F A Cup replay at Blackburn, because of a clause in his one-month loan contract from Southampton.

LAWN TENNIS

CHASE-LINCOLN CHALLENGE CUP (Buffalo). — Exhibition matches: J. McEnroe (US) bt J. Arias (US) 6-3, 6-4; McEnroe bt V. Gerulaitis (US) 6-2, 7-6.

Last Night's Match

Gillingham earn trip to Ipswich in Cup

By DAVID LUDBY

Gillingham 2 Cardiff 1

CARDIFF, bottom of the Second Division, probably wished this F A Cup third round match against Third Division promotion-chasers Gillingham, at the Priestfield Stadium had been called off again, when they fell behind just before the interval.

But after Martin Robinson had put Gillingham ahead in the 42nd minute, Graham Withey equalised in his first match for Curdell after being transfered from Coventry for £15,000.

However, John Leslie struck again eight minutes from time to put Gillingham in the driving seat.

Inept Cardiff

Cardiff's inept performance was underlined as Gillingham were without four of their top players, Mehmet, Cochrane and Shearer—all suspended—and Carcarino, who failed a fitness test on a hamstring injury.

That quartet had scored 37 goals between them this season but their replacements—Weatherly, Leslie and Shinners—all proved effective on Gillingham's way to a fourth round match at Ipswich on Saturday.

Flynn, the former Welsh international, failed to impose midfield authority in the driving rain. Only a brilliant diving save by Smelt from a sharp Hinnigan shot kept them in the contest.

However, in the 68th minute, Withey levelled the battle with a 15-yard drive after Meacock had created the opening.

But Gillingham's tenacity paid dividends. Mullen's bad back pass was intercepted by Leslie, who scared the winner eight minutes from time.

Gillingham. — Hillyard; Sage, Hinnigan, Oakes, Musker, Shaw, Leslie, Shinners, Robinson, Johnson, Weatherley.

Cardiff. — Smelt; Elsey, Mullen, Dwyer, Ford, Tong, Flynn, Gibbins, Vaughan, Wigley, Meacock.

Mark Weatherly . . . helped Gillingham to victory.

SHARPNESS PROGRESS

By NEIL SCOTT

IT is 20 years since Sharpness a Gloucestershire port not far from the Seven Bridge, had a soccer team to compare with their current side, who are challengers for the Hellenic League championship.

Winners of the county league last season, which gained them entry to the Hellenic, Sharpness are lying fifth with six games in hand over the leaders, Morris Motors.

They have lost only two out of 15 League matches and are also enjoying a record run in the F A Vase. When ground conditions allow they will visit Cheshunt in the fourth round.

Simon Panes, a former Bristol ing in Australia, signed for City striker who has been playing Sharpness last week and will make his debut as soon as his international clearance is received.

He will replace Nicky Rock, who scored 31 league goals last season and another 17 this season before breaking a leg in the club's last match a fortnight ago.

Sharpness are relying mainly on the players who won them a place in the Hellenic League. This season they have added a defender, John Turner, and a striker, Paul Hayden.

Pat Casey is the team's player-manager, though he has not played this season. If he guides it will be a remarkable achievement: Sharpness to the championship as they have no lights and risk an annual scramble to complete their fixture.

European Review

Porto's feud puts Toshack on rack

By MICHAEL CALVIN

JOHN TOSHACK has reached a crucial stage in his attempt to mirror the spectacular European success of Terry Venables.

It is inevitable that Barcelona's establishment of a nine-point lead at the top of the Spanish League has overshadowed his diligent approach to the delicate task of managing Sporting Lisbon.

Just as the volatile politics of club football dominate the working life of Mr Venables, Mr Toshack is under pressure to ensure that Sporting are successful at the expense of Porto, who have recovered well from the humiliation of their Cup-Winners' Cup defeat by Wrexham.

The fued between the clubs has simmered since the summer, when Porto greeted the arrival of the former Swansea manager by enticing away Futre, Lisbon's precocious striker.

That sly piece of transfer manipulation was in retaliation for Sporting's succesful bid to lure Sousa and Pacheco away from Porto.

Mr Toshack was booked for touchline histrionics when the clubs met in a torrid goalless draw at Porto, and his temper could not have been improved by the way his team allowed Porto to extend their advantage at the top to three points on Sunday.

Lisbon, whose goal-scoring potential has been enhanced by the signing of Saucedo, the Argentine, were expected to see off unrated Academica. Yet, despite twice establishing a two-goal lead, they were held 4-4.

Porto took full advantage with a 5-0 win over Boavista. All the goals were scored by Fernando Gomes, who has contributed 25 in 17 games.

The other pocket of British success in Portugal centres on Belenenses, who are managed by Jimmy Melia, who took Brighton to the 1983 F A Cup final.

Ronnie Glavin, imported from Barnsley, scored both goals in the 2-1 win over Guimaraes, which leaves his side well placed to push for a European qualifying place.

SPANISH LGE. — Malaga 0, Real Murcia 0—Real Sociedad 0, Atletico Madrid 4—Real Betis 1, Valencia 5—Osasuna 2, Hercules 1—Espanol 0, Barcelona 0—Elche 0, Sporting 0—Real Zaragoza 1, Real Valladolid 1—Real Madrid 1, Sevilla 2—Racing 1, Athletic Bilbao 0.

PORTUGUESE LGE.—Porto 5, Boavista 0—Braga 2, Benfica 2—Sporting 4, Academica 4—Belenenses 2, Guimaraes, [illegible] 3, Rio Ave 1—Varzim 2, Setubal 1—Varzim 0, Salgueiros 0.

French leave Wallace doubt

By ROGER MALONE

WATFORD, out for a home win over Sunderland tomorrow, to reach the Milk Cup semi-finals, will face severely-weakened opposition—especially if French authorities fail to act swiftly.

The Roker Park side, with their ranks already depleted with six players being out through suspension, ineligibility and injury, are now experiencing difficulties over the availability of Ian Wallace, last week's £50,000 signing from Brest.

The international clearance papers of the striker who once cost Nottingham Forest £1 million from Coventry have been held up. Sunderland yesterday enlisted the help of the F A, who despatched telexes across the Channel, and are hopeful the Scottish international will be cleared in time to play.

Sterling preferred

Even so, the absence against a full-strength Watford of Gayle, Hodgson, Bennett, Agboola, Cummins and Proctor cannot improve the chances of Les Ashurst's team reaching the last four for the first time in 22 years.

Watford, coming to the boil at the right time with an unbeaten run of five games and ten goals scored in their last three outings, again prefer Worrell Sterling in attack to Nigel Callaghan, who is substitute.

ALLISON BANNED

Middlesbrough have banned former manager Malcolm Allison from their ground. He was sacked from his Ayrsome Park post last season.

WILLIAMS ON TRIAL

Bristol City full back Gary Williams, 21, became the fourth signing by new Swansea manager John Bond in two weeks when he joined the Welsh club on a month's trial yesterday.

Boxing

WARREN'S PAPER CUP SOLUTION

By DONALD SAUNDERS

FRANK WARREN, the London promoter, is determined there will be no repetition at any of his future shows of the bottle-throwing that followed Don Curry's W B A welterweight title triumph over Colin Jones last Saturday.

Mr Warren is entitled to be upset by the crowd trouble at the Birmingham National Exhibition Centre, during his first world title promotion, which he had staged efficiently with a touch of showmanship.

"I shall insist that beer is served in paper cups, if it is served at all at my future promotions," he said. "At the N E C on Saturday they were selling it inside the arena, in packs of 12.

"The fact that bottles are made of plastic, not glass, does not make that much difference if you catch a full one in the back of the neck.

Ban on bottles

"Once one moron throws a bottle out of the darkness, half-a-dozen sheep join in and you've got trouble. So keep the bottles outside. They can throw paper cups to their hearts content."

Mr Warren will not have to take steps to ensure that a ban is placed on bottles when he stages his next world title fight, between Sot Chitalada, the World Council's champion, and Charlie Magri, at the Alexandra Pavillion London, on Feb. 20.

Tht London arena does not sell drinks in bottles. So there should be no trouble either, when Dave Gorman, Curry's manager, brings over his other W B A champion, Don Hatcher, to defend the light-welterweight title there agains Terry Marsh, probably in March.

Squash Rackets

HAILSTONE DELUGE

Jamie Hickox failed to achieve the double of Closed and Open champion when he was beaten by Stuart Hailstone, of South Africa, in the third round of the Blue Stratos British U-23 Open at Marlow yesterday.

Though seeded higher, Hickox found his opponent all out for revenge after two earlier defeats, including one in the South African Open.

The opportunity came in the fifth game, where Hickox has shown a weakness recently. Hailstone stepped in to take his chance, allowing the England representative only one point.

The result will not have done Hickox's chances much good for selection in the European Championships, though the Canadian-born Surrey player has been hovering between the two countries, undecided for whom to play.

If offered, he says he will put England first and, since playing for Canada would make him an overseas player, limiting his opportunities in the Premier League, this option is likely to be second.

It could not be exercised, though, until November, in the World Championships.

The hopes of a hat-trick came one step closer for Pakistan's Sohil Qaiser, who had his second testing match of the championship. He was love-two down against Anders Wahlstedt before he pulled his game together and eventually outlasted the Swede.

BLUE STRATOS BRITISH U-23 OPEN (Marlow).—3rd rd: S. Qaiser bt A. Wahlstedt 4-10, 3-9, 9-4, 9-6, 9-2; S. Hailstone bt J. Hickox 4-9, 10-8, 3-9, 9-6, 9-1; F. Johnson bt S. Taylor 9-0, 9-5, 9-7.

SOCCER RESULTS

F A CUP—3rd Rd

Gillingham (1) 2		Cardiff (0) 1	
Robinson		Withey	
Leslie			—5,452

Winners away to Ipswich.

Replay

Huddersfield v Wales (postponed until tomorrow).

MILK CUP—5th Rd

Ipswich v Q P R (postponed until tomorrow).

FREIGHT ROVER TROPHY 1st Rd, 1st Leg

Port Vale v Northampton (postponed).

SCOTTISH FA CUP.—2nd Rd. Replay: Raith 1, Queen's Pk 0. 2nd Replay: Berwick 0, Inverness Cal 5 (at East Fife).

F A TROPHY.—1st Rd: Barking 3, Staines 4—Leytonstone & I.O. Fisher 4—Northwich 0, Walford 4—Slough 1, Harrow Boro 1—Weymouth 2, Cheltenham 5. Postponed: Bishop Auckland v Nth Shields, Frome v Windsor & E (Wed.), Hatlow v Wealdstone (Thu.), Merthyr v Croydon (Thu.), Welling v Sutton Utd (Tue.), Worthing v Worcester (Wed.). 1st Rd Replays: Barnet v Dagenham (Wed.), B Stortford v Bath (Thu.), Woking v Dulwich (today).

CENTRAL LGE.—Div. 1: Postponed Derby v Notts Co.

NORTHERN PREM. LGE.—Burton v Witton.

SOUTHERN LGE.—Prem. Div: Postponed: Corby v Shepshed.

SOUTHERN JUNIOR FLOODLIT CUP. 3rd Rd: Ipswich v Wimbledon. Portsmouth v A Villa.

LONDON SENIOR CUP.—1st Rd: Postponed: Croydon v Rumpton, Hounslow v Hendon.

SCHOOLS.—E S F A Nabisco Trophy, 1st Rd: Mountbatten, Romsey 1, Chichester HS 6.

Basketball

Palace plot path to Wembley final

By RICHARD TAYLOR

CRYSTAL PALACE face a critical weekend if they are to extend their 10-year run of appearing in every Championship Final Tournament at Wembley since the event moved there in 1975.

Palace have home games against Hemel-Watford on Saturday and Davenports Birmingham on Sunday, leaving their England captain Paul Stimpson to say: "This is a crucial start to the run-in to Wembley."

The top eight teams in Division One at the end of the season will pair off to play a preliminary play-off round over the best of three matches, with the four survivors progressing to Wembley.

The Division One schedule is more than half completed yet the top 12 teams are all in contention. Palace, 11th, boosted their chances with Saturday's 105-94 win at John Carr Doncaster.

Odds against

Palace fought the 1979 League Championship with Doncaster and beat Birmingham in three successive Wembley finals from 1978, but now this trio have been overtaken by the new breed of Kingcraft Kingston, F S O Cars Manchester United and Walkers Leicester.

Stimpson says: "Our aim now must be to reach Wembley. I find it hard enough accepting defeat in a single match, so the thought of not reaching Wembley for the first time is very hard to take."

Palace who this week reveal plans for a move to the London dockland redevelopment, have won six Wembley titles in the last 10 years although the odds are against their lifting another Championship trophy.

"Once you are in the last eight there is the chance to go all the way. After all, Kingston are top of Division One yet we have beaten them this season," says Stimpson.

Cottrills Manchester Giants and F S O Cars Manchester United have confirmed their agreement over United's move into Stretford on the basis that the soccer club acknowledge the Giants' franchise rights in the area.

Giants have withdrawn their writ against United and their chairman Amer Midani says: "I did not want to fight United off, but I did want recognition of our rights in the area. We will now try to work together to develop basketball in Greater Manchester."

BOWLS

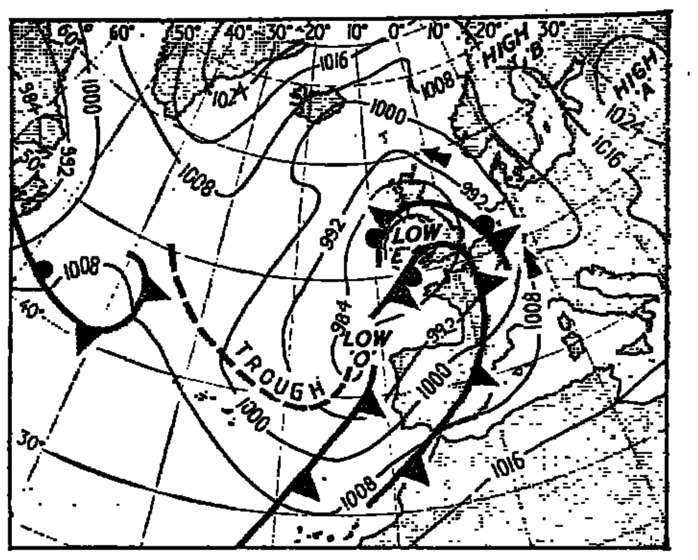
PRUDENTIAL NAT. SINGLES: 5th rd: P. Caswall (Worthing) 21, F. Parker (Grafton) 19—P. Saunders (Egerton) 15, M. Harris (Preston) 21—R. May (Temple) 11, M. Goord (Greenwich) 21—T. Bowles (Crystal Palace) 12, G. Smith (Cyphers) 21 — A. Thomson (Cyphers) 20, M. McLaren (Croydon) 21.

WORTHING OPEN FOURS. — 1st rd: O. Bishop (Victory) 24, R. Brome (Worthing) 19—P. Scott (Worthing) 30, J. Kemsley (Preston) 9—M. Browning (Newhaven) 25, R. Twine (Pavilion) 16—G. Hide (Pavilion) 24, D. Thomas (Worthing) 17—J. Wilkins (Nestick) 32, D. Sherlock (Worthing) 15—D. Kemp (King Alfred) 22, N. Wiffen (Worthing) 14—D. Dennis (Victory) 19, I. Barford (Worthing) 12 — L. Chaplin (Worthing) 23, B. Taylor (Worthing) 15—A. Williams (Worthing) 23, K. Corres (Pavilion) 19 — W. Moses (Windlesham) 22, K. Pope (Worthing) 18.

MOTOR RALLY

PARIS-DAKAR RALLY (at Kedougou). R. Zaniroli (France, Mitsubishi) 45h 11m 43s, 1; A. Cowan (GB, Mitsubishi) 45-37-58, 2; P. Fougerouse (France, Toyota) 50-4-30, 3; H. Pescarolo (France, Land-Rover) 54-0-51, 4; G. Marreau (France, Renault) 56-14-9, 5.

ATLANTIC WEATHER—Noon Jan. 21



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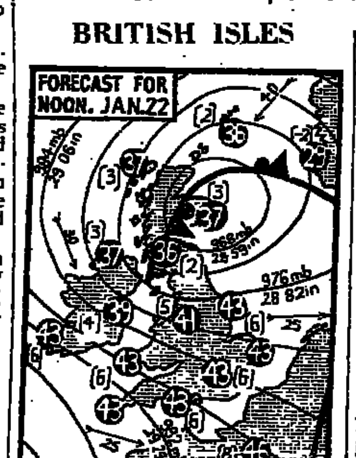
BRITISH ISLES



Issued at 6.30 p.m.

Black circles show temperatures expected in Fahrenheit. The equivalent temperature in Centigrade is given alongside in brackets. Arrows indicate wind direction and speed in *m.p.h.* Pressures in millibars and inches.

HOME AND ABROAD

Ajaccio	c	52	11	Lisbon	c	59	15
Akrotiri	f	63	17	Locarno	c	36	2
Algiers	s	70	21	London	r	45	7
Amsterdm	c	37	3	*L. Angls	r	54	12
Athens	s	59	15	Luxmbrg	s	39	4
Bahrain	s	70	21	Luxor	s	72	22
*Barbados	f	82	28	Madrid	c	52	11
Barcelna	r	55	13	Majorca	f	59	15
Beirut	r	57	14	Malaga	c	59	15
Belfast	r	39	4	Malta	s	63	17
Belgrade	c	34	1	Manchstr	r	41	5
Berlin	c	25	-5	*Mexico C	c	54	12
*Bermuda	s	70	21	Miami	s	46	8
Biarritz	s	61	16	Milan	dr	36	2
Birmghm	r	43	6	Montreal	c	-6	-21
Blackpool	r	43	6	Moscow	s	-9	-23
Bordeaux	f	55	13	Munich	s	39	4
*Boston	sn	18	-8	Naples	f	55	13
Boulogne	r	39	4	Newcastle	r	39	4
Bristol	c	48	9	N. Delhi	f	63	17
Brussels	c	41	5	New York	s	3	-16
Budap'st	sn	21	-1	Nice	r	45	7
*B. Aires	s	91	33	Oporto	r	55	13
Cairo	f	68	20	Oslo	sn	21	-6
Cape Tn	s	73	23	Paris	r	41	5
Cardiff	r	46	8	P. Stanley	f	61	16
Casablnca	f	66	19	Perth	s	75	24
Cologne	c	37	3	Prague	c	27	-3
Copnhgn	r	66	19	Reykjavik	r	25	-4
*Chicago	s	-17	-27	Rhodes	s	61	16
Corfu	r	52	11	*R de Jan	f	79	26
*Denver	f	16	-9	Riyadh	s	79	26
Dublin	dr	45	7	Rome	r	57	14
Dubrvnik	f	52	11	Salzburg	r	41	5
Edinbrgh	sl	36	2	*S Frisco	c	43	6
Faro	r	63	17	*Santiago	f	75	24
Florence	c	48	9	*S. Paulo	c	70	21
Frankfurt	f	39	4	Stckhlm	sn	27	-3
Funchal	r	64	18	Strasbrg	fg	32	0
Geneva	c	30	-1	Sydney	s	75	24
Gibraltar	r	55	13	Tangier	c	55	13
Glasgow	sn	36	2	Tel Aviv	c	61	16
Guernsey	f	50	10	Toronto	c	8	-13
Helsinki	c	4	-20	Tokyo	s	46	8
Hongkong	f	66	19	Tunis	s	66	19
Innsbrck	f	37	3	Valencia	f	61	16
Inverness	r	36	2	*Vancver	r	45	7
I. of Man	r	41	5	Venice	fg	34	1
Istanbul	r	36	2	Vienna	c	27	-3
Jersey	f	43	9	Warsaw	c	16	-9
Karachi	s	75	24	Washngtn	c	14	-10
Larnaca	f	63	17	Wellingtn	c	70	21
L. Palmas	s	72	22	Zurich	fg	30	-1
*Lima	s	75	23				

Key: C—cloudy; dr—drizzle; f—fair; fg—fog; r—rain; s—sunny; sl—sleet; sn—snow. Temperatures (F & C) lunchtime generally. Asterisk indicates previous day's reading.

LONDON READINGS

Max. temp. (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) 48F (9C); min. temp. (6 p.m. to 6 a.m.) 34F (1C); rainfall 0·24 inch; sunshine nil.

In Britain yesterday (daytime) warmest Guernsey 54F (12C); coldest Benbecula 34F (1C); wettest Falmouth 1·44 inches; sunniest Tenby 3·3 hours.

SQUASH RACKETS

BELGIAN OPEN (Brussels) — Women's final: L. Soutter (GB) bt H. Wallace (GB) 3-2.

BRITISH RESORTS

Reports for the 24 hours to 6 p.m. yesterday:

	Sun hrs.	Rain ins.	Max. Temp. F	C	Weather (day)
East					
Scarboro'	—	0.45	41	5	Rain
Bridlington	—	0.64	43	6	Rain
Cromer	—	0.39	39	4	Rain
Lowestoft	—	0.44	41	5	Rain
Clacton	—	0.39	39	4	Rain
Margate	—	0.29	45	7	Rain
South					
Folkestone	—	0.61	46	8	Rain
Hastings	—	0.82	46	8	Rain
Eastbourne	—	0.68	46	8	Rain
Brighton	—	0.80	46	8	Rain
Worthing	0.4	0.82	48	9	Rain
Bognor R	1.1	0.77	46	8	Rain
Southsea	—	0.94	43	9	Rain am
Sandown	0.1	1.11	50	10	Rain
Ventnor	—	0.72	46	8	Rain
Bournemth	—	1.30	48	9	Rain
Poole	—	1.07	50	10	Rain
Swanage	—	1.15	43	9	Rain
Weymouth	—	0.90	50	10	Rain am
Exmouth	—	0.88	50	10	Rain
Teignm'th	—	1.02	52	11	Rain
Torquay	—	1.10	52	11	Rain
Falmouth	—	1.44	52	11	Rain am
Penzance	0.2	0.78	52	11	Showers
Jersey	2.0	0.71	50	10	Showers
Guernsey	1.4	0.89	54	12	Showers
West					
Scilly Isles	—	0.73	48	9	Rain
Newquay	—	0.47	53	11	Rain
Ilfracombe	—	0.58	50	10	Fog
Tenby	3.3	0.70	50	10	Cloudy
Colwyn B	2.5	0.13	50	10	Bright
Southport	—	0.30	41	5	Rain
Morecambe	—	0.44	43	6	Rain
Douglas	—	0.93	41	5	Rain pm
Scotland					
Eskdalem'r	—	0.57	36	2	Snow
Prestwick	—	0.30	37	3	Snow
Glasgow	—	0.39	37	3	Snow am
Tiree	—	0.73	36	2	Snow
Stornoway	—	0.27	37	3	Sleet
Lerwick	—	0.32	39	4	Snow
Wick	—	0.26	39	4	Sleet pm
Kinloss	—	0.06	37	3	Sleet pm
Aberdeen	—	0.71	37	3	Sleet
St Andrews	—	0.56	41	5	Sleet am
Edinburgh	—	0.41	39	4	Sleet
Northern Ireland					
Belfast	—	0.28	39	4	Rain
Lake District					
Ambleside	—	1.25	43	6	Rain
Kendal	—	0.50	41	5	Rain

Lighting-up time 5.2 p.m. to 7.22 a.m. Sun rises 7.53 a.m. Sets 1.32 p.m. Moon rises 9.12 a.m. Sets 5.54 p.m. High water at: London Bridge 2.32 a.m. (22ft): 2.57 p.m. (23ft); Dover 11.54 a.m. (20.8ft).

SKI-ING CONDITIONS

The following reports were supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain

	Depth l	Depth u	Conditions Piste	o.p.	Weather & Temp(F) 5 pm	
Avoriaz	60	80	fa	v	f	34
Crans Montana	15	40	fa	v	f	30
Davos	40	120	fa	v	cl	[illegible]
Flaine	55	170	fa	h	f	[illegible]
Isola	20	90	fa	v	f	[illegible]
Kitzbuhel	[illegible]	30	fa	v	f	[illegible]
Les Arcs	30	55	fa	v	f	36
Megeve	25	65	fa	v	cl	41
Saas Fee	30	145	g	pd	cl	34
St Moritz	100	160	g	v	cl	[illegible]
Verbier	15	120	g	pd	cl	[illegible]
Villars	15	70	fa	v	cl	[illegible]
Wengen	10	70	fa	v	cl	34

Key: l—lower; u—upper; cl—closed; cr—crust; f—fine; fa—fair; g—good; h—heavy; o.p.—off piste; pd—powder; pr—poor; r—rain; sn—snow; sl—slush; th—thaw; v—varied; w—worn. Depths in centimetres. Temperatures in Fahrenheit.

SCOTLAND

CAIRNGORMS.—No report. Hill roads blocked.

GLENSHEE.—Upper runs complete, but narrow. New snow drifting lower down. Vertical runs [illegible]. New snow roads: deep snow drifting. Snow level 1,000ft. Main roads: [illegible].

GLENCOE.—[illegible] runs complete. New snow [illegible]. Snow level 1,000ft. Main roads, clear. [illegible]

LECHT.—No report. All access roads blocked.

[illegible]

Weekend Pools Guide

SELECTIONS

TREBLE CHANCE (Home Teams).—Barnsley, Burnley, Reading, Crewe, Rochdale, Boston, Weymouth, R S Southampton, Meadowbank, St Johnstone, Ayr.

DRAWS.—Burnley, Reading, Crewe, Rochdale, Boston, Meadowbank.

AWAYS.—Rotherham, Hull, Southend, Northwich, Stafford, Clydebank.

HOMES.—Bournemouth, Bradford, Brentford, Bristol City, Chesterfield, Peterborough, Pt Vale, Swindon, Enfield, Nuneaton, Dundee Utd, Airdree.

FIXED ODDS.—Homes: Sheff. Wed., Man. Utd, Bournemouth, Aberdeen, Dundee Utd; Aways: Rotherham, Celtic, St Mirren; Draws: Reading, Rochdale, Ayr.

SEQUENCES

GAMES SINCE DRAW

Manchester United	21
W. Bromwich	15
Bradford	13
Gillingham	13
Ipswich	13
Morton	13
Bristol City	10
Sunderland	10
Tranmere	10
Bury	9
Oldham	9
Oxford	9
Coventry	8
Swindon	8
York	8
Carlisle	7
Everton	7
Hibs	7
Northampton	7
Southampton	7
Wimbledon	7

SINCE HOME WIN

Dunfermline Athletic	7
Meadowbank	5
Preston	5
Crewe Alexandra	4

SINCE HOME DEFEAT

Barnsley	11
Bournemouth	11
Chesterfield	11
Torfar	10
Sheffield Wednesday	6

SINCE HOME DRAW

Bradford City	8
Morton	6
Brechin	5
Bristol City	5
Swindon Town	5

SINCE AWAY WIN

Newport County	18
Oldham	9
Wrexham	8
Dundee	7
Swansea	7
Cambridge	6
Scunthorpe United	6

SINCE AWAY DEFEAT

Clydebank	8
Falkirk	5
Brighton	4

SINCE AWAY DRAW

St Mirren	12
Wrexham	11
Coventry	9
Torquay	9
Celtic	8
Plymouth	8
Derby	7
Doncaster	7
Rotherham United	7

Compiled by TREVOR WILLIAMSON

FORM AT A GLANCE

Chart shows Cup, League and League Cup games only with most recent matches on the right. W—win; L—defeat; S—score-draw; D—0-0.

Last Five Home Games	Fixture	Last Five Away Games	Fcst
F.A. CUP —Fourth Round			
W W D S W	Barnsley v Brighton	L W S W W	X
S W L W W	Everton v Doncaster	L L W W L	1
W S W L D	Leicester v Carlisle	L S W L W	1
W W L W L	Man. Utd v Coventry	L L L L W	1
W S W S W	Sheff. Wed. v Oldham	S S L L L	1
DIVISION III			
L W D D W	Bolton v Rotherham	L W W L W	2
W W W W S	Bournemouth v Plymouth	L W L L L	1
W W L W W	Bradford v Swansea	L S L L L	1
W W S L W	Brentford v Newport	L L L S S	1
W W L W W	Bristol C. v Cambridge	L S L D L	1
L W S L L	Burnley v Derby	L W L W L	X
L S L S S	Preston v Hull	W S W L S	2
W W L W S	Reading v Bristol Rov.	W W W L S	X
DIVISION IV			
L S L L W	Chester v Southend	L W S S L	2
W W D W W	Chesterfield v Scunthorpe	S L L S L	1
W W L S W	Colchester v Bury	W L W W L	1
W L S L L	Crewe v Mansfield	L L L D W	X
S L L W D	Exeter v Aldershot	S L L L W	1
W S L W S	Peterboro' v Wrexham	L L L L L	1
D W L S W	Pt Vale v Torquay	W L L L L	1
L S S W W	Rochdale v Hartlepool	S L L W L	X
W L W W W	Swindon v Tranmere	L S W L L	1
GOLA LEAGUE			
L W W S W	Boston v Kidderminster	L W W W S	X
S S W S L	Dartford v Bath	D W L W D	2
W L W S L	Enfield v Kettering	W W S W S	1
W W L S W	Frickley v Maidstone	W L S S S	X
S L W L L	Gateshead v Wealdstone	L L W W S	2
S W W W S	Nuneaton v Dagenham	L L W L L	1
L L W W W	Weymouth v Altrincham	W W W L W	X
S L S D S	Yeovil v Northwich	W L W D D	2
NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE			
	Bangor v Worksop		Void
L W W L L	Gainsboro' v Burton	L S S W W	2
S S W D W	Goole v Oswestry	L L L D S	1
W D L S S	Grantham v Buxton	L D L L L	1
D L S W L	Matlock v Stafford	S W W L L	2
L W S W D	Rhyl v Workington	W L L S D	1
SOUTHERN LEAGUE—Premier Division			
W W W S W	Chelmsford v Cheltenham	W L L W L	1
W W L W D	Fareham v Willenhall	L S W L W	2
W W D S S	Hastings v Alvechurch	L S L L W	1
W W W W W	RS Southampt'n v King's Lynn	L W W W W	X
S L S L W	Trowbridge v Corby	L W L L S	1
L W S L W	Witney v Bedworth	L S L S L	1
SCOTTISH F.A. CUP—Third Round			
D L W W W	Aberdeen v Alloa	L W L W D	1
L W W S W	Airdrie v Falkirk	W W S W D	1
L W S W W	Ayr v Keith		X
L W W W L	Brechin v E. Fife	W L L W S	2
S L W W D	Cowdenbeath v St Mirren	L W L W W	2
W W S W W	Dundee Utd v Hibs	S L L L W	1
W S W W D	Forfar v Clydebank	S S S W W	2
W W L W D	Hamilton v Celtic	L W L W W	2
S S S L L	Meadowbank v Partick	L L L L W	X
W L W W D	Morton v Rangers	S S W S L	2
L S W W D	Motherwell v Dumbarton	L D W L L	1
L S L W L	St Johnstone v Dundee	D L L D L	X
SCOTTISH LEAGUE—Division II			
S L L S L	Dunfermline v E. Stirling	W D W L L	1

SOCCER FIXTURES

Kickoff 7:30 unless stated.

F A CUP—3rd Rd Replay

Arsenal v Hereford ....

POSTPONED.—Blackburn v Portsmouth (playing tomorrow, 7.30).

FREIGHT ROVER TROPHY 1st Rd, 1st Leg

Bolton v Crewe ....
Bournemouth v Plymouth (at Plymouth) ....
Bury v Chester ....
Doncaster v York ....
Hull v Mansfield ....
Newport v Exeter ....
Orient v Aldershot ....
Rochdale v Preston ....
Rotherham v Chesterfield ....
Scunthorpe v Bradford ....
Swansea v Bristol R. ....
Torquay v Swindon ....

Postponed: Gillingham v Colchester (playing tomorrow, 7.30), Halifax v Darlington, Tranmere v Blackpool (switched to Blackpool tomorrow); Burnley v Stockport (Thurs., 7.30).

WELSH CUP.—4th Rd: Wrexham v Barry.

CENTRAL LGE.—Div. 1 (7.0): Coventry v Man. City, Liverpool v Blackburn. Div. II: Oldham v Port Vale (7.0), Wigan v Wolves. Postponed: Leeds v Leicester.

FOOTBALL COMB. — Charlton v Reading (2.0), Chelsea v Millwall (Harlington Trng Gnd, 11.30), QPR v Tottenham (2), Southampton v Watford (inspection this morning). Postponed: Birmingham v Norwich, Brighton v Luton, Fulham v Swansea.

F.A. TROPHY.—1st Rd Replay: Woking v Dulwich.

GOLA LGE.—Frickley v Scarborough. Bob Lord Trophy, 3rd Rd: Postponed: Enfield v Weymouth, Runcorn v Kidderminster.

SOUTHERN LGE. — Prem. Div: Crawley v Chelmsford.

NORTHERN PREM. LGE. — Postponed. Goole v Matlock.

SERVOWARM ISTHMIAN LGE. — Div. 1. Basildon v Tilbury, Borcham Woods, Hertford, Farnborough v Walton. Hitachi Cup, 3rd Rd: Aveley v Lewes.

LONDON SENIOR CUP.—1st Rd: Beckton v Peasant, Brimsdown v Cheshunt, Bromley v Collier Row, East Ham v Southwark Spts, Feltham v Crown & Manor, Hanwell v Epsom & Ewell, Haringey Boro v Southall, Leyton Wingate v Woodford, Malden Vale v Walthamstow (at Leatherhead), Penhill Standard v Beckenham.

F A YOUTH CUP.—3rd Rd: Wimbledon v Tottenham (7-15).

REPRESENTATIVE. — HM Prison Service v Cambridge Univ. (Wellingborough, 3).

RUGBY UNION. — Hospitals Cup, 1st Rd (2.30): Middlesex v St George's (Chislehurst); The London v Barts (Walthamstow). Postponed: Kings College v UCH (Dog Kennel Hill, playing Thursday). Hertford Floodlit Cup, semi-final: Cheshunt v Leighton Buzzard (Hertford RFC, Hoe Lane, Ware).

Football League & Scottish tables

DIVISION I

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
		HOME					AWAY					
Everton	24	8	3	2	25	15	[illegible]	1	[illegible]	18	14	40
Tottenham	24	7	[illegible]	1	29	12	[illegible]	[illegible]	4	20	13	47
Man Utd	24	8	3	2	20	9	4	[illegible]	5	17	21	41
Sheff W	24	7	4	1	25	12	4	4	4	14	11	41
Arsenal	24	8	3	1	25	9	4	1	7	19	22	40
Liverpl	24	5	4	3	17	9	5	8	3	16	13	38
Sthmptn	24	6	3	3	11	10	4	5	4	18	18	37
Chelsea	24	8	3	3	27	13	1	[illegible]	3	13	16	36
Nottm F	25	8	1	[illegible]	23	13	3	[illegible]	[illegible]	13	21	36
Norwich	25	8	3	1	21	10	[illegible]	3	8	10	24	35
WBA	24	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	24	11	[illegible]	[illegible]	8	13	25	34
A Villa	24	6	4	2	20	15	[illegible]	3	7	14	25	31
W Ham	25	5	3	4	15	12	3	4	4	15	22	31
QPR	24	5	5	2	23	16	[illegible]	4	6	9	23	30
Watford	25	4	4	4	26	22	[illegible]	3	4	19	20	29
Leicester	24	6	3	4	29	18	[illegible]	[illegible]	7	11	27	29
Newcastle	24	6	3	3	21	15	1	4	7	16	34	28
Sundrlnd	25	6	2	3	17	13	1	3	8	12	22	26
Coventry	25	5	3	5	15	16	2	1	9	11	29	25
Ipswich	23	4	4	4	15	15	1	3	7	6	15	22
Luton	23	3	4	3	16	15	1	2	9	11	30	21
Stoke	24	2	2	7	13	24	0	4	9	4	25	12

DIVISION II

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
		HOME					AWAY					
Blackburn	24	9	1	1	26	9	5	5	3	21	14	48
Oxford	21	10	1	0	39	9	4	3	3	12	9	46
Man City	25	9	2	1	24	8	4	5	4	16	12	46
Brmnghm	23	5	4	2	14	10	9	0	3	19	11	46
Portsmth	24	7	4	1	24	15	4	5	3	15	17	42
Leeds	24	7	4	2	28	10	5	0	6	17	19	40
Grimsby	24	8	1	4	28	18	3	3	5	19	22	37
Hddrsfld	24	6	2	4	17	19	5	2	5	16	16	37
Barnsley	22	[illegible]	[illegible]	2	16	7	2	[illegible]	2	9	8	36
Brighton	23	5	4	3	11	6	5	2	5	13	11	36
Fulham	23	8	0	3	22	15	1	1	6	20	26	35
Shrwsbry	23	6	3	2	26	16	2	5	5	14	19	32
Wmbldn	24	5	3	3	22	20	4	1	8	20	21	31
Carlisle	23	5	2	4	11	9	3	2	7	11	25	28
Oldham	23	6	2	5	17	17	1	2	7	8	26	25
Sheff U	24	4	7	5	20	18	1	6	5	15	22	24
Middlsbr	24	3	5	4	13	18	3	1	8	13	20	24
Charlton	23	4	4	4	21	18	2	1	8	10	19	23
C Palace	23	3	5	2	15	12	[illegible]	3	7	12	22	22
Wolves	25	4	3	6	15	19	2	1	9	13	30	22
Notts Co	24	3	3	6	10	18	1	1	10	11	34	16
Cardiff	23	2	2	8	14	28	1	2	8	11	23	13

DIVISION III

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
		HOME					AWAY					
Bradford	24	9	2	1	21	8	7	2	3	18	11	52
Hull	24	9	[illegible]	1	21	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	2	15	16	45
Gillnghm	24	8	3	1	32	15	6	0	6	15	23	45
Rothrhm	24	[illegible]	4	1	24	14	6	1	[illegible]	12	[illegible]	44
Bristol R	23	8	3	0	20	7	4	1	5	18	19	42
Walsall	22	9	2	0	25	[illegible]	[illegible]	4	5	16	20	39
Derby	22	9	3	0	25	12	[illegible]	2	6	11	10	38
York	24	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	[illegible]	17	22	37
Bristol C	25	8	[illegible]	1	22	12	[illegible]	4	6	13	18	36
Bmnmth	23	9	[illegible]	[illegible]	21	8	1	4	7	5	12	36
Wigan	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	15	8	[illegible]	6	4	15	21	36
Reading	24	5	3	4	17	16	5	[illegible]	5	18	20	35
Doncstr	24	7	2	4	24	18	[illegible]	[illegible]	6	16	17	34
Walsall	22	[illegible]	6	2	13	10	5	2	4	15	16	32
Brentfrd	24	6	2	5	10	13	[illegible]	5	6	9	10	31
Newport	24	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	18	15	0	6	6	9	19	30
Bolton	24	8	1	[illegible]	25	8	0	0	11	13	27	27
Lincoln	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Plymth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Burnley	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Preston	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Chest'rl	24	4	1	6	17	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Swansea	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cmbridg	25	2	1	[illegible]	8	19	1	1	8	12	24	13

DIVISION IV

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
		HOME					AWAY					
Bury	24	8	2	1	25	[illegible]	[illegible]	3	[illegible]	17	14	50
Herefrd	24	10	1	1	31	[illegible]	4	5	4	18	12	48
Blackpl	25	8	4	0	21	6	6	2	5	20	18	48
Chestrfld	24	9	3	0	26	9	4	5	3	15	15	47
Darlngtn	22	8	1	1	19	6	4	7	1	12	9	44
Peterbro	25	9	2	1	23	13	3	3	7	12	19	41
Tranmre	24	10	0	3	31	15	3	1	7	14	22	40
Colchstr	23	6	3	2	24	17	4	4	4	21	22	37
Hartlepl	24	5	6	2	18	14	4	2	5	12	16	35
Crewe	24	6	1	5	19	18	4	[illegible]	5	18	18	34
Swindon	23	[illegible]	[illegible]	3	22	13	2	3	6	10	20	32
Mansfld	22	6	[illegible]	1	13	6	[illegible]	5	4	5	8	31
P Vale	24	5	4	3	18	12	3	3	6	14	20	31
Scunthrp	21	5	1	2	22	14	2	4	5	11	15	28
Southend	24	5	4	3	10	10	2	3	7	16	28	28
Aldersht	25	4	[illegible]	3	17	15	1	0	8	14	22	26
Stockprt	22	6	3	3	22	11	1	2	7	7	24	26
Nthmptn	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Halifax	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rochdale	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Exeter	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Torquay	24	2	6	3	11	17	2	1	9	11	22	19
Wrexham	22	4	3	5	21	15	1	0	9	12	23	19
Chester	22	3	2	5	12	14	1	4	7	9	22	15

SCOTTISH LGE—Prem. Div.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
		HOME					AWAY					
Aberdeen	24	10	2	1	35	8	3	[illegible]	2	22	[illegible]	30
Celtic	22	7	2	1	20	7	6	3	3	20	13	31
Rangers	24	4	5	3	11	7	5	5	2	20	16	28
Dndee U	22	5	7	1	22	16	4	3	4	11	9	27
St Mirrn	23	[illegible]	[illegible]	4	13	11	6	1	5	16	21	25
Hearts	25	5	1	6	14	15	5	1	5	15	21	22
Dundee	22	5	4	[illegible]	17	15	2	[illegible]	6	12	19	17
Dmbrtn	23	3	3	5	14	17	3	2	7	11	20	16
Hibs	23	3	3	6	16	18	2	2	8	7	24	15
Morton	22	3	1	7	14	25	1	0	10	7	17	9

SCOTTISH LGE.—Div. I

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
		HOME					AWAY					
Clydbnk	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hamiltn	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Airdrie	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Forfar	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mthrwll	24	6	3	2	18	10	5	2	5	19	10	29
E Fife	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Falkirk	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Clyde	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Brechin	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ayr	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kilmrnck	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Partick	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
St Jnstn	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mdwbnk	25	4	4	5	21	22	0	4	8	10	26	16

SCOTTISH LGE.—Div. II

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
		HOME					AWAY					
Alloa	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Montrose	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dnfrmln	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cwdnbth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Stranraer	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Stnhsmr	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Raith	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Stirling	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Berwick	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Queens Pk	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Queen of S	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Arbroath	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
E Stirlng	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Albion	19	3	0	6	7	14	3	2	5	12	22	14

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TELEVISION—TUESDAY

GUIDE BY PETER KNIGHT

BBC-1

6.30 a.m.-9 Breakfast Time, with Frank Bough and Selina Scott. 10.30-10.50 Play School, rpt. 12.30 News, Weather. 12.57 Regional News (London and South East only: Financial Report and News Headlines). 1 Pebble Mill at One: outdoor special from the Lake District, rpt. 1.45 Hokey Cokey, rpt. 2-2.25 Can You Avoid Cancer?—Work and Play, rpt. 3.48 (not London) Regional News. 3.50 Play School. 4.10 Dastardly and Muttley, rpt. 4.15 Simon and the Witch by Margaret Stuart Barry, read by Nerys Hughes. 4.30 Wildtrack—Night. 4.55 John Craven's Newsround. 5.5 The Record Breakers. 5.30 Dr Kildare—The Bell in the Schoolhouse, rpt. 5.58 Weather.

6 00 **NEWS.**

6 30 **REGIONAL MAGAZINES.**

6 55 **TOM AND JERRY.**

7 00 ★**WILDLIFE ON ONE**—New Father Thames. David Attenborough takes a nice leisurely trip up the Thames to chart the changes that have taken place over the past six decades. The most notable is the resurgence of wildlife since the clean up of the London Thames began in 1955. From about 1920 the river was so polluted that no fish were recorded there for 40 years but now there are even salmon and the Thames is now rated the world's cleanest suburban estuary. (Ceefax sub-titles.)

7 25 **"THE CABLE CAR MURDER"** (1971). The son of a shipping magnate is found murdered in a San Francisco cable car and a black police inspector is assigned to the case causing hassle at City Hall. Above average thriller with a sharp edge to the tension and good location filmwork. With Robert Hooks, Jeremy Slate and Robert Wagner.

9 00 **NEWS, WEATHER.**

9 25 **THE EXERCISE**—Rough-edged, sometimes quite confusing drama by Tim Rose Price which follows four Army Cadets who get lost during a training exercise in Wales and eventually end up fighting for survival. It's a drama that tends to just drift along with only the occasional moments of dramatic impact, provided usually by incidents which are a bit too far fetched to ring true and involving characters who are difficult to warm to or sympathise with. Good use is made of the Welsh countryside but it's a long, hard trek back to base for both the cadets and the viewer. With Adrian Monahan, John Llewellyn, Christopher Wild and Ian Hart.

10 25 **LOOSE ENDS**—General knowledge quiz hosted by Tim Brooke-Taylor. London and South East only (**East**—Spectrum; **Midlands**—The Barmaid's Arms; **North**—Northern Lights; **South**—The Cellar Show; **South West**—And it's Chardstock to bat; **West**—Video Magic).

10 55 **LYNDA CARTER**—Street Life, rpt. 11.45 Weather.

BBC-2

9 a.m.-3 Daytime on Two, a run of short educational programmes for children and adults, mostly repeats. 5.25 News, Weather. 5.30 Willo the Wisp. 5.35 Dear Heart.

6 00 **THE HIGH CHAPARRAL** — The Widow from Red Rock, rpt.

6 50 **CARTOON TWO**—Repeat.

6 55 ***OPEN TO QUESTION*** — Olympic javelin gold medallist Tessa Sanderson answers questions from 70 Scottish teenagers. Providing her with some support are *Olympic* team manager Mary Peters, who won the pentathlon Olympic gold medal in the 1972 *Munich Games*, and Wendy Sly, silver medallist in last year's Olympic 3,000 metres. First shown on BBC Scotland.

7 30 **WHISTLE TEST** — Including an interview with Alannah Currie of the Thompson Twins, live music from The Colourfield and Big Sound Authority, a 1978 archive clip of Blondie and a review of the new charts.

8 30 **FOOD AND DRINK**—Four teams of home economists demonstrate their recipes for a good two-course meal costing less than a pound. Plus a look at the best buys in whisky.

9 00 **POT BLACK 85** — Bill Werbeniuk, from Canada, v Dennis Taylor, from Northern Ireland.

9 25 **DOCTORS' DILEMMAS** — *A Test of Loyalties.* A much travelled company executive, who is in line for promotion, suffers from chest pains and learns from the company doctor that he may be suffering from angina. Should the doctor inform the company and put the man's promotion at risk? That is this week's dilemma and the dramatisation is followed by a particularly lively, at times quite heated, discussion in which the doctor comes in for some quite sharp criticism from virtually all the experts. But Ian Kennedy, as usual, adjudicates with both clarity and firmness as he manoeuvres between the conflicting views and tries to put everything into perspective.

10 10 **MIKE HARDING**—Repeat.

10 40-11.30 **NEWSNIGHT.**

ITV Thames

6.15 a.m. Good Morning Britain, with Anne Diamond and Mike Morris. 9.25 Thames News Headlines. 9.30 For Schools. 12 Cockleshell Bay. 12.10 Rainbow, rpt. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1 News. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Jemima Shore Investigates—A Promising Death, rpt. 2.30 Daytime: Sarah Kennedy, her guests and studio audience discuss a current topic. 3 Vintage Quiz. 3.25 Thames News Headlines. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4 Cockleshell Bay, rpt. 4.15 The Moomins. 4.20 Behind the Bike Sheds. 4.45 CBTV. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm.

5 45 **NEWS.**

6 00 **THAMES NEWS.**

6 20 **HELP!** presented by Viv Taylor Gee.

6 30 **CROSSROADS.**

6 55 **REPORTING LONDON**—The changing role of cocaine usage.

7 30 **NAME THAT TUNE** — Musical quiz hosted by Lionel Blair.

8 00 **UP THE ELEPHANT AND ROUND THE CASTLE**—Friday the 13th. Jim has to use all his ingenuity to avoid being moved to Scotland for a retraining scheme.

8 30 **FRESH FIELDS**—Something in the Oven, rpt. (Oracle sub-titles).

9 00 **THE BILL**—The Sweet Smell of Failure. Insp Galloway goes looking for the manufacturer of fake perfume while Pc Carver and Wpc Ackland set off on the trail of a couple of elderly burglars. Last of the current series. (Oracle sub-titles.)

10 00 **NEWS AT TEN** followed by **Thames News Headlines.**

10 30 **ALARMS AND EXCURSIONS** — The British, the Nile and General Gordon. Centenary celebration of the British Army's expedition up the Nile in 1884 in what turned out to be a vain attempt to rescue the besieged General Gordon in Khartoum. Travel arrangements for the Army's Nile journey were made, at the government's request, by travel agents Thomas Cook, and last August the company organised a cruise retracing the original voyage. War correspondent Max Hastings joined 250 passengers on board the ship as they attempted to re-live some of the experiences of those who took part in one of the most famous episodes in British military history. (Oracle sub-titles.)

11 30 **THE BREADWINNER** — Repeat of W. Somerset Maugham's comedy written in 1930. With Michael Gambon, Yolande Palfrey, Jennie Linden and Judy Parfitt. **12.30 Night Thoughts** with Frank Field.

Channel 4

2.30 p.m. The Human Jungle—Ring of Hate. B/w, rpt. 3.25 "From Nurse to Worse" (1940, b/w). Comedy featuring the Three Stooges. 3.45 Years Ahead, presented by Robert Dougall, with Labour Party leader Neil Kinnock answering questions from the studio audience. 4.30 Countdown. 5 The Abbott & Costello Show—Bank Holdup, b/w. 5.30 Making the Most of . . . Including tips for flower arrangers and potters, plus the Pomfret Morris and the Gradely Lasses.

6 00 **THE AVENGERS**—Dial a Deadly Number. B/w, rpt. Steed and Mrs Peel investigate the deaths of a string of business tycoons.

7 00 **CHANNEL FOUR NEWS;** at 7.50 Comment by Professor A. S. C. Ehrenberg, and Weather.

8 00 **BROOKSIDE.**

8 30 **HOLIDAY TALK** — The West Indies is tonight's venue with Julie Walters and Leslie Thomas recalling holidays in Antigua and Barbados and Nils Blythe, assessing the attractions of St Lucia.

9 00 **"HEAD OVER HEELS"** (1979). Off-beat, low-key romantic comedy with John Heard as a young man obsessed with winning back a former girlfriend, who unfortunately for him happens to be married. With Mary Beth Hurt.

10 45-11.40 **EASTERN EYE** — Magazine programme for Britain's Asian communities.

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ITV REGIONS

TVS

6 15 Good Morning.
9 25 TVS Outlook.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 Cockleshell Bay.
12 10 Rainbow.
12 30 The Sullivans.
1 00 News; TVS News.
1 30 A Country Practice.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Questions, rpt.
3 27 TVS News, followed by Young Doctors.
4 00 Cockleshell Bay.
4 15 The Moomins.
4 20 Behind the Bike Sheds.
4 45 CBTV.
5 15 Sons and Daughters.
5 45 News.
6 00 Coast to Coast.
6 25 Police 5.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Emmerdale Farm.
7 30 Name That Tune.
8 00 Up the Elephant.
8 30 Fresh Fields, rpt.
9 00 The Bill.
10 00 News; TVS News.
10 30 Alarms and Excursions (documentary): L.
11 30 Star Parade.
12 30 Company.

Anglia

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 Cockleshell Bay.
12 10 Rainbow, rpt.
12 30 Gardens for All.
1 00 News; Anglia News.
1 30 Jemima Shore, rpt.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Vintage Quiz.
3 25 Anglia News.
3 30 The Young Doctors.
4 00 Cockleshell Bay.
4 15 The Moomins.
4 20 Behind the Bike Sheds.
4 45 CBTV.
5 15 Emmerdale Farm.
5 45 News.
6 00 About Anglia.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Bygones — how the teasel is still grown for commercial use; and archive film including the WW1 bombing of Bury St. Edmunds.
7 30 Name That Tune.
8 00 Up the Elephant.
8 30 Fresh Fields, rpt.
9 00 The Bill.
10 00 News; Anglia News.
10 30 Alarms and Excursions (documentary): L.
11 30 Mannix.
12 30 Tuesday Topic.

Central

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 Cockleshell Bay.
12 10 Rainbow.
12 30 Gardening Time.
1 00 News; Central News.
1 30 Jemima Shore, rpt.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Vintage Quiz.
3 25 News.
3 30 The Young Doctors.
4 00 Cockleshell Bay.
4 15 The Moomins.
4 20 Behind the Bike Sheds.
4 45 CBTV.
5 15 Blockbusters.
5 45 News.
6 00 Crossroads.
6 25 Central News.
7 00 Emmerdale Farm.
7 30 Name That Tune.
8 00 Up the Elephant.
8 30 Fresh Fields, rpt.
9 00 The Bill.
10 00 News; Central News.
10 30 Alarms and Excursions —the British, the Nile and General Gordon; re-tracing the 1884 expedition to relieve the siege of Khartoum.
11 30-12.30 Star Parade.

Yorkshire

6 15 Good Morning.
9 25 Weather.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 Cockleshell Bay.
12 10 Rainbow.
12 30 Calendar Tuesday.
1 00 News; Calendar.
1 30 Jemima Shore, rpt.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Vintage Quiz.
3 25 News.
3 30 A Country Practice.
4 00 Cockleshell Bay.
4 15 The Moomins.
4 20 Behind the Bike Sheds.
4 45 CBTV.
5 15 Blockbusters.
5 45 News.
6 00 Calendar.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Emmerdale Farm.
7 30 Name That Tune.
8 00 Up the Elephant.
8 30 Fresh Fields, rpt.
9 00 The Bill.
10 00 News.
10 30 Alarms and Excursions (documentary): L.
11 30-12.30 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace, b/w.

HTV

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 Cockleshell Bay.
12 10 Rainbow, rpt.
12 30 The Sullivans.
1 00 News; HTV News.
1 30 Jemima Shore, rpt.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Vintage Quiz; HTV News.
3 30 The Young Doctors.
4 00 Cockleshell Bay.
4 15 The Moomins.
4 20 Behind the Bike Sheds.
4 45 CBTV.
5 15 Blockbusters.
5 45 News.
6 00 HTV News.
6 25 Crossroads.
7 00 Emmerdale Farm.
7 30 Name That Tune.
8 00 Up the Elephant.
8 30 Fresh Fields, rpt.
9 00 The Bill.
10 00 News; HTV News.
10 30 Alarms and Excursions —The British, the Nile and General Gordon: re-tracing the 1884 expedition to relieve the siege of Khartoum.
11 30 Hollywood Special — Humphrey Bogart.
12 30 Weather.

HTV Wales: 6 p.m.-6.35 Wales at Six.

TSW

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 Cockleshell Bay.
12 10 Rainbow, rpt.
12 30 Look Who's Talking: Nanette Newman.
1 00 News; Local News.
1 30 Jemima Shore, rpt.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Vintage Quiz.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 Cockleshell Bay.
4 15 The Moomins.
4 20 Behind the Bike Sheds.
4 45 CBTV.
5 15 Gus Honeybun.
5 20 Crossroads.
5 45 News.
6 00 Today South West.
6 25 Televiews.
6 30 Knight Rider.
7 30 Name That Tune.
8 00 Up the Elephant.
8 30 Fresh Fields, rpt.
9 00 The Bill.
10 00 News; Local News.
10 34 Alarms and Excursions —The British, the Nile and General Gordon: re-tracing the 1884 expedition to relieve the siege of Khartoum.
11 30 Postscript.
11 35 Hardcastle and McCormick.
12 30 Weather; Shipping.

Channel

9 30 For Schools.
12 00-5.15 As TSW.
5 15 Wattoo Wattoo
5 20 Gulliver.
5 45 News.
6 00 Channel Report — Europe '85.
6 30-12.30 As TSW (11.30-11.35 Sarnia Big Band).
12 30 Commentaires et previsions meteorologiques; Weather.

WELSH CHANNEL 4

1 p.m. Countdown. 1.30 Alice. 2 Hwnt ac Yma. 2.20 Ffalabalam. 2.25-2.50 Am Gymru. 3.25 The Late, Late Show. 4.20 A Plus 4. 4.50 Ffalabalam. 5.5 Bilidowcar. 5.35 Project UFO. 6.30 Lansem. 7 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 'Does Unman yn Deoyg . . . 8 The Dragon Has Two Tongues. 8.30 Relative Strangers; yn dilyn Penawdau Newyddion. 9 Minafon. 9.45 Elinor ac Eraill. 10.30-12.20 "Natural Enemies": 1979 film with Hal Holbrook as a man who wakes one morning bent on murdering his family.

BBC WALES

5.35 p.m.-5.58 Wales Today. 6.30-7 Dr Kildare. 10.25-10.55 A Love Affair with Life: Clough Williams Ellis, 1883-1978. Portrait of the architect and of Portmeirion, the village of his creation.

RADIO

FOUR

5 55 on l/w Shipping.
6 00 News Briefing.
6 10 Farming Today.
6 25 Prayer for the Day.
6 30 Today.
9 00 News.
9 05 Tuesday Call: 01-580 4444 — Vegetarian Cookery.
10 00 From Our Own Correspondent.
10 30 Morning Story.
10 45 Service.
11 00 "Hobgoblins": play by David Ashton.
11 33 Wildlife.
12 00 You and Yours.
12 27 My Word!
12 55 Weather.
1 00 The World at One.
1 40 The Archers.
1 55 on l/w Shipping.
2 00 Woman's Hour.
3 00 "By Flower and Dean Street": Patrice Chaplin's dramatisation of her novel about the ghostly reappearance of Jack the Ripper when a modern woman is haunted by one of his victims.
4 00 Talking Tapes.
4 10 Story Time: Mikhail Bulgakov's "A Country Doctor's Notebook" translated by Michael Glenny and read by Patrick Stewart (1).
5 00 PM (5.50 on l/w Shipping).
5 55 Weather.
6 00 News; Financial news.
6 30 Don't Stop Now, rpt.
7 00 News.
7 05 The Archers.
7 20 File on 4.
8 00 Medicine Now.
8 30 Crisis in Education.
9 00 In Touch.
9 30 Good Books.
9 45 Kaleidoscope.
10 15 Book at Bedtime: "Second from Last in the Sack-race" (2).
10 30 The World Tonight.
11 15 Financial World.
11 30 Today in Parliament.
12 00-12.15 News, Weather.
12 33 Shipping forecast.

VHF: 11 a.m.-12 For Schools. 1.55 Listening Corner. 2-3 For Schools. 11 p.m.-11.30 Study on 4: Staying in Business. 12.30 a.m.-1.10 Night-time Schools.

THREE

6 55 Weather.
7 00 News.
7 05 Morning Concert (8-8.5 News).
9 00 News.
9 05 This Week's Composer: William Byrd.
9 45 Cello and Piano: Rachmaninov, Julius Isserlis, Mendelssohn.
10 25 Mendelssohn and Schumann choral music.
11 10 Jorge Bolet (piano), rpt: Schubert, Liszt.
12 05 Lutoslawski, Haydn, Ravel (1-1.5 News).
1 45 Guitar Encores.
2 00 All Four Strings: Bottesini, Mozart, Kreisler, Stravinsky, Brahms (2.45-2.50 Reading).
4 00 Brian Rayner Cook and Keith Swallow (baritone and piano), from Broadcasting House: John Ireland, Frank Bridge, Britten.
4 55 News.
5 00 Mainly for Pleasure.
6 30 Anthems and Pastorals.
7 10 Aileen M. Ireland's "The Romantic Symphony" read by Susan Engel.
7 30 Sir Michael Tippett — an 80th birthday concert by the London Sinfonietta (8.5-8.20 Compass Points: a poetry anthology).
9 05 Saint-Saëns.
9 30 Economics Then and Now, rpt: Part 2.
10 00 Jazz Today.
11 00 Ulster Orchestra, rpt: Boellmann.
11 35 Szymanowski.
11 57-12 News.

TWO

4 00 Colin Berry.
6 00 Ray Moore.
8 05 Ken Bruce.
10 30 Jimmy Young.
1 05 David Jacobs.
2 00 Gloria Hunniford.
3 30 Music All the Way.
4 00 David Hamilton.
6 00 John Dunn.
8 00 American Popular Song.
9 00 Radio Orchestra.
9 55 Sports Desk.
10 00 Where Were You in 62?
10 30 Give Us a Conch.
11 00 Brian Matthew.
1 00 Charles Nove.
3 00-4 Night Owls, rpt.

VHF: 10 p.m.-12 As Radio 1.

ONE

6 00 Andy Peebles.
7 00 Mike Read.
9 00 Simon Bates.
12 00 Gary Davies.
2 30 Steve Wright.
5 00 Bruno Brookes.
7 30 Janice Long.
10 00-12 John Peel.

WORLD

6 a.m. Newsdesk. 7 World News. 7.9 Twenty-four Hours. 7.30 Sweet Soul Music. 7.45 Network U.K. 8 World News. 8.9 Reflections. 8.15 The Art of Gerald Moore. 8.30 Tippett at 80. 9 World News. 9.9 British Press Review. 9.15 The World Today. 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 What's New. 10 News. 10.1 Discovery. 10.30 Wives and Daughters. 11 World News. 11.9 News about Britain. 11.15 Letter from London.

12 noon Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Foreign Correspondents. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1 World News. 1.9 Twenty-four Hours. 1.30 Network U.K. 1.45 Recording of the Week. 2 Outlook. 2.45 My Country in Mind. 3 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 A Jolly Good Show. 4 World News. 4.9 Commentary. 4.15 Omnibus. 4.45 The World Today. 5 World News. 5.9 Meridian.

8 p.m. World News. 9.15 Concert Hall. 10 World News. 10.9 The World Today. 10.25 Scotland This Week. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11 World News. 11.9 Commentary. 11.15 Handel in London. 11.30 Meridian.

12 midnight World News. 12.9 News about Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Omnibus. 1 News. 1.1 Outlook. 1.30 Report on Religion. 1.45 Country Music Profile. 2 World News. 2.9 British Press Review. 2.15 Handel in London. 2.30 Wives and Daughters. 3 World News. 3.9 News about Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 Discovery. 4 Newsdesk. 4.30 Waveguide. 5.45 The World Today.

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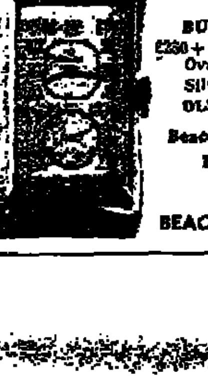

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BIRTHS

ASHOKA.—On Jan. 14, at St Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth, to RAJNI (née Jain) and SHYAM, a daughter (Shivani).

BANKS.—On Jan. 16, to CHARLOTTE (née Lubch) and ANTHONY, a daughter (Lucy Janet Eleanor).

BATES.—On Jan. 15, 1985, to LESLEY-ANN (née Swallow) and MICHAEL, a son (Edward Michael), a brother for 5 months.

BEATTIE.—On Jan. 3, at St Albans, to JACQUELINE (née Albeson) and ANDREW, a son (James Jeffrey Cameron).

BRADLEY.—On Jan. 20, 1985, at Bournemouth Hospital, to Geraldine (née Rivers) and TERRY, a daughter (Christina Anne).

CASTLE.—On Jan. 15, to SUSAN (née Stanley) and DAVE, a daughter (Fiona), a sister to Samantha Jane and Nicola.

COTTON.—On Jan. 19, at St Thomas' Hospital, to Medlot (née Tietjen) and CHRISTOPHER, a daughter.

CRUMPTON.—On Jan. 19, at Royal Eye Hospital, Hampstead, to SALLY (née Dickson) and JIM, a daughter (Elizabeth Mercer).

DREW.—On Jan. 17, to JILL (née Turbomolo) and BENJAMIN, a son (Hugo Raymond), brother for Paul, Amanda and Laurence.

DUNDAS.—On Jan. 16, to SARAH, wife of ALEXANDER DUNDAS, a daughter.

EVANS.—On Jan. 14, to CLARE and KEITH, a daughter (Lauren Margaret).

FINCH.—On Jan. 19, to ANTONIA and TIM, a daughter (Sophie Amanda).

FOX.—On Jan. 15, to BARBARA (née Jones) and JAMES, a son (Sebastian James), a brother for Charlotte and Melanie.

GUGGEBIN.—On Jan. 19, in Los Angeles, to KATE (née Lalton) and JAMES, a daughter (Caroline Janet), sister for Michael and Jennifer.

HEARNE.—On Jan. 19, at Epsom, to CHRISTINE (née Tidman) and MARTIN, a daughter (Sarah Elisabeth), a sister for Simon.

LIBBETTER.—On Jan. 19, at Yeovil Hospital, Somerset, to LOUISA (née Dixon) and SCOTT, a son (Charles Hugo), a brother for Lewis.

LUTTON.—See GUGGEBIN.

MCLELLAN.—On Jan. 19, 1985, to SUSAN and GEORGE MCLELLAN, a daughter.

MATTHEWS.—On Jan. 19, to PAULA (née Silverson) and WOLFGANG, a son (Stephen Peter), a brother for Olivia.

MILLER.—On Jan. 16, to LUCY (née Neave) and MICHAEL, a daughter (Katharine Elise).

OBLSON.—On Jan. 17, to SHAWN (née Doolan) and RICHARD, a daughter (Jennifer Claire).

PORTER.—On Jan. 19, to SUSAN (née Diaz) and JEFF, twin daughters (Lisa and Laura), sisters for Alexander, Thomas, Brett, Isabel, Victoria and Michael.

PORTER.—On Jan. 20, to SUZANNE (née Webb) and TONY, a daughter (Sally Jean), a sister for Katie, Barnaby, Alex, Victoria.

ROBERTSON.—On Jan. 17, to CILLA and RICHARD, of Reed, near Royston, Herts., a son (Michael Richard).

SALMON.—On Jan. 15, 1985, to SHARY and NIGEL, a son (Thomas James Lewis).

TITMAN.—On Jan. 11, to SUSAN (née Kruger) and DAVID, a daughter (Sophie Janet).

TRY.—On Jan. 19, at Princess Christian Hospital, Windsor, to ANNE (née Davis) and PETER, a daughter (Isabelle Louise), a sister for Caroline.

MARRIAGES

FISH—HARKNESS.—On Jan. 19, 1985, at Canterbury, DAVID IAN, son of Mr and Mrs Michael Fish, of Chingford, London, E.4, to CATHERINE HARKNESS, daughter of Dr John and Mrs Harkness, of Great Mapleteed, Essex.

HIGHAM—ROGERS.—On Saturday, Jan 19, at St. Robert's, Harrogate, DAVID, son of Mr and Mrs D. L. HIGHAM, of Baildon, to JOANNA, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. S. ROGERS, of Harrogate.

LONG—HASLER.—On Jan. 19, THOMAS, to GORDON CHARLES TIMOTHY, son of Mr and Mrs R. S. LONG, of Brook, Isle of Wight, to ALISON SHEILA, daughter of Mr and Mrs C. B. HASLER, of 4 The Gables, Fortis Green, London N.10.

IN MEMORIAM

"THEIR NAME LIVETH FOR EVERMORE"

SIMPSON, JEFFREY, Sergeant, R.A.F.V.R., aged 20—in affectionate memory of one of three sons, who died in the service of his country, and his brothers, GRAHAM, Lt. R.N.V.R., 23, and HANAN, 21. So loved and treasured beyond price. Also their wonderful Father, who joined them Jan 13, 1960. Always in my thoughts.—Mother.

DEATHS

ADAMS.—On Jan. 18, 1985, suddenly in hospital, GERALD DORSET, of Corsbach, Bishops Castle, the dearly loved husband of Mollie, loved father of Nigel and Elizabeth and proud and loving Papa of Alexis. Funeral service at Bishops Castle Parish Church on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 2 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations if desired, Tranquillea, please, to Bryan L. Jones, F.D., tel. Bishops Castle 638528.

ATKINSON.—On Jan. 18, 1985, peacefully, after a short illness, HAROLD GEORGE HENRY, aged 80 years, of Grange Road, Eastbourne, Sussex, husband of Lilian, father of Peter, father-in-law of Marjorie, grandfather to Philip, brother of Bill and brother-in-law of Irene. Funeral service at Eastbourne Crematorium on Wednesday, Jan. 30, at 3 p.m. Family flowers only, please, but donations to Royal Marsden Hospital Supportive Fund or Bromley Spastics Society, both c/o National Westminster Bank PLC, 96, Terminus Road, Eastbourne, Sussex.

ATTFIELD.—On Jan. 21, 1985, peacefully at Chichester Hospital, GUY ATTFIELD, Master Mariner (Retd), aged 79, for 55 years the beloved husband of Muriel, dear father of Christopher and loving grandfather of Jason. Funeral service Wednesday, Jan. 30, at 3.45 p.m. at Bournemouth Crematorium. Family flowers only, please, but donations for Tenovus Cancer Research may be sent to Dorie-Scott Portman Lodge Funeral House, Bournemouth.

AUSTIN.—On Jan. 18, 1985, peacefully at St Albans City Hospital, FREDERICK DAVID JOHN, dearly loved husband of Miriam, father and stepfather. Captain (Retd), M.V., late Tyn Browers and the Royals. Funeral service at St Stephen's Church, St Albans, on Thursday, Jan. 24, at 1 p.m. Family flowers only to Goodchild & Sons, 7-11 Catherine Street, St Albans. Donations if so desired direct to St John Ambulance Foods, Medical Comforts Dept., 122, High Street, Chesham.

BAILEY.—On Jan. 12, 1985, suddenly at the Royal Masonic Hospital, LAWRENCE BRIAN BAILEY, beloved husband of Paddy and dearly loved father of Steven and Fiona. Funeral service at Warwood Crematorium on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 3 p.m.

BALDWIN.—On Jan. 19, JOHN, aged 76, dear husband of Kathleen and father of Nick. Funeral at St Peter's, Horton, Jan. 24, at 12 noon.

BATEMAN.—On Jan. 18, 1985, suddenly in Stoke Mandeville Hospital, JEANNE, aged 55, late of Salisbury, wife of the late EDGAR BATEMAN and much loved mother and grandmother. Funeral on Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2.30 p.m., at Bishopsham Parish Church, Salisbury.

BAYLEY.—On Jan. 20, after a long illness, Colonel F. G. R. (Eric) BAYLEY, of Tunbridge Wells, former C.O., 80 Signal Regiment, beloved husband of Irene, a dearly loved father and grandfather. Funeral at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium, Rusthall, on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at 3.30 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to the Royal Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Kent and Sussex Head at Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

BEDFORD.—On Jan. 21, in Ring's Hill Residence, Huntingdon, Cambs., after a short illness, JOHN RUSSELL BEDFORD, aged 102 years, of The Glebe House, Eaton Socon, beloved husband of the late Dorothy and father of Michael. Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Eaton Socon, at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 30, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, please; donations if desired for the Arthritis & Rheumatism Council, may be sent to William Peacock & Sons, Orchard Lane, Huntingdon, Cambs.

BELL.—On Jan. 15, 1985, suddenly and peacefully at her home, in Chatham, Kent, CATHERINE MAUDIE BELL, sister of the late Sir Gilmour Menzies Anderson and a much loved aunt. Service and cremation at Thanbridge Weald Crematorium on Thursday, Jan. 24, to which all friends are invited. Flowers and inquiries to W. Hodges & Co., Sevenoaks, Kent, 454457.

BENNETT.—On Jan. 19, peacefully after a short illness, bravely borne, ANNIE JEAN, formerly O.A.R.A.N.C., of Valley Mead, Shortfield, Tverton, Devon, beloved wife of Lt-Col. A. BENNETT, R.A.M.C. (Retd). Cremation private. No flowers, by request. Donations if desired to the League of Friends of the Exeter Hospitals, c/o the National Westminster Bank, 54, High Street, Exeter. Sorely missed by Anthony, Gillian and Carolyn and her many friends.

BICKLE.—On Jan. 17, peacefully in hospital, GEOFFREY THOMAS, aged 85 years, of Woodstock, Oxford, and formerly of Reigate. Funeral service and interment at Reigate Parish Church on Friday, Jan. 25, at 3 p.m.

BIDDICK.—On Jan. 14, 1985, suddenly, Rev. JOHN ENGAR PETER BIDDICK, aged 69 years, of Polmenna, Trevarrian, St Merryn, Cornwall, beloved husband of Diana and much loved father of John, Stephen and Zoe.

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1 Prudish about cattle raids (11)
9 Gang goes round to upset their get-together (9)
10 & 24 Homes from home for sailors (5, 5)
11 The one who counts when it comes to a vote (6)
12 Denoting Indian fast time, albeit opposed to effort (8)
13 Divine tree adored after a fashion (6)
15 Casual as a skier ready to go (8)
18 Gill having a short break (8)
19 Renegade soldiers shelter for nothing (6)
21 It provides the rest of public transport (3, 5)
23 Practical as I can be after tea-time (6)
26 Outline plan for a military detachment (5)
27 On reflection his self-love proved a bloomer (9)
28 One in office before Reagan, for instance (11)

DOWN

1 Beheld through the bead of a rifle (7)
2 Price over a pound for an animal (5)
3 Unattractive, as tangled eglantine (9)
4 Put down face up (4)
5 How to be convincing in a firm kind way (8)
6 Round and round form of entertainment (5)
7 Gained from a state of relaxation, one hears (7)
8 More or less how steam becomes vaporised (8)
14 Blank verse as interpreted away from these islands (8)
16 Relative killing of fish I'd caught in freezing conditions (9)
17 Study a lightweight animal, and charge (8)
18 Jonson's braggart took anything but good-hearted (7)
20 Elizabethan writer in a vessel returning . . . (7)
22 . . . to put a legal embargo on other poets (5)
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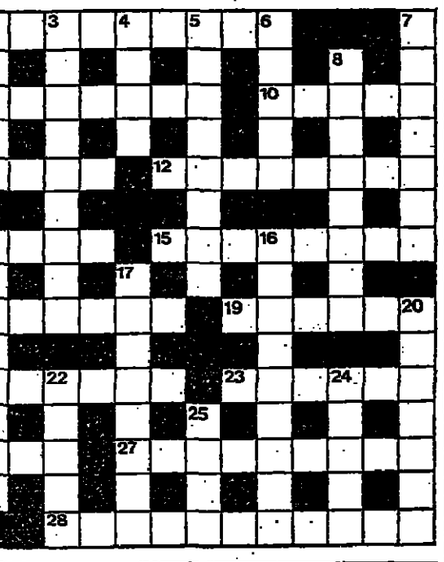

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1 Travelling shows
4 Gratify
9 Facsimile
10 Stop
11 Fine fabric
12 Guard
13 Secret agent
14 Prepare for publication
16 Foal's father
18 Prompt
20 Weird
21 At liberty
24 Greek letter
25 Salad vegetable
26 Dwell
27 Pattern of excellence

DOWN
1 Woodland area
2 Force
3 Cream off
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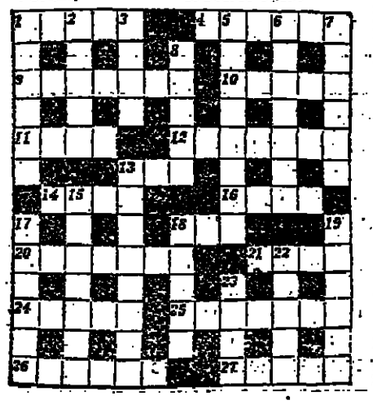

PITMEN GIVING UP LOST CAUSE SAYS NCB

By STEPHEN WARD Industrial Staff

THE RETURN to work yesterday of 1,847 miners was the third highest total since the strike began 10 months ago. The two days with higher totals were also Mondays; Nov. 12 and 19.

The Coal Board was drawing satisfaction from the fact that while the November surge followed the collapse of peace talks, and was helped by the lure of a pre-Christmas pay-out, yesterday there was no reason except realisation that the strike could not be won.

The Coal Board said there were now 76,000 NUM members defying the strike, out of a total of 187,800.

The NUM again contested the Coal Board's figures yesterday in the latest issue of its official journal, THE MINER.

An article on the front page, clearly aimed at boosting flagging morale among the remaining strikers, said information was being suppressed in a "massive news blackout . . . all with a single aim in mind: to sap morale and lower your confidence."

The NUM insists that *140,000 members are still on strike.*

More than a third of the "new faces" to return to work yesterday were in the North East where the 661 men returning was the highest figure for any area since the strike started.

Local Coal Board officials were hopefull that it signified an acceleration in the drift back which would soon lift the present 5,211 total at work to being a majority of the 20,200 miners on the books.

A spokesman said: "It's been a surge all right today. The bandwagon is rolling and it will be hard to see it stopping."

He said one factor behind the return in the North East was a telephone line installed by the local Coal Board two weeks ago to give miners *information about returning.*

Ex-strikers returning to work for the first time were in the following areas:

	New faces	Total at work	Total workforce
Scotland	234	3,635	12,500
North East	666	5,211	20,200
Yorkshire	593	4,482	53,000
S. Midlands	1	8,100	8,558
Western	98	11,452	14,200
Kent	5	137	2,114
S. Wales	22	288	19,600
N. Derbys	215	5,727	10,000

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By JOHN RICHARDS

No olive branch

union has made it absolutely clear that we will enter into negotiations without pre-conditions. The union's position now and so far as we know that of the board, is that in order to try and resolve this dispute, we are prepared to enter into negotiations.

"Now I would hope there would be a response from the board as a result of today's meeting."

Mr Scargill said that, if the board had issued statements contrary to this position the public would take "a very dim view" of their negative attitude.

He said that the TUC talks had looked at ways and means of getting further support from the trade union movement.

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A TUC statement said: "The TUC hope these informal discussions can lead to the resumption of negotiations urgently needed to settle this lengthy and damaging dispute. The TUC and the NUM will be keeping in close touch."

The TUC commitment disclosed that a meeting of the TUC Finance and General Purposes Committee had agreed to recommend a statement to tomorrow's meeting of the full Council urging that Nottinghamshire miners should stand by their national union.

The statement would also make it clear that any breakaway bodies from the national union would not be eligible for affiliation to the TUC.

Yesterday's talks came as the Coal Board said that 76,000 NUM members—40·6 per cent. of the total of 187,500—were not on strike.

The 1,847 men who went back yesterday according to the board compared with 1,268 on Monday last week and 1,990 on Nov. 12 and 2,282 on Nov. 19.

Denby Grange Colliery had become the 73rd pit to restart coal production, and men were present at 156 out of the 174 collieries.

The NUM contests these figures, saying that 140,000 miners are still on strike and, on the board's own figures, only 58,000 were now at work when those who were sick or injured were excluded from the total.

MINISTERS MEET

Thatcher confident

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT: Mrs Thatcher and senior ministers reviewed the miners' strike last night, confident that support for Mr Scargill was continuing to erode steadily. Mr Walker, Energy Secretary, reported on the latest developments.

It was said officially that there was no question of the Government taking any new initiative to prompt the board into fresh negotiations.

The Government's position remained that negotiations with the board could not reopen until the miners' leadership dropped Mr Scargill's hard-line attitude against the closure of uneconomic pits.

The assessment was made that *Mr Scargill did not want* a negotiated settlement, and that genuine peace moves from the NUM would have to come from other union leaders.

Ministers also believed that support for the strike was dwindling significantly in the Labour leadership and that the Opposition was seriously split.

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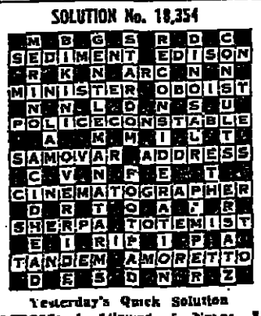

Yesterday's Quick Solution

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Commons Sketch

OPIUM WAR OVER HONGKONG

By GODFREY BARKER

MR HEALEY and Sir Geoffrey Howe, in rare appearances, fought the third Opium War yesterday over the future of Hongkong.

Sir G. was pure morphia. "This Bill may be short but it is of historic importance," he opened a speech of mind-bending somnambulence. Denis, the greatest bruiser never to lead the Opposition, was (characteristically) more violent.

Being unable to attack the subject, on which everyone agrees strangely, he lurched after the man.

"This is the Foreign Secretary who brought down the curtain on the Opium Wars," he slugged Sir G. cheerfully. His tone changed to that of Sir Kenneth Clark cooing over a Ming vase. "What could be more appropriate?"

After a while, Denis seemed to get bored with Sir G., who has the disadvantage in Hongkong affairs of having wrested in person the crucial Treaty concessions out of Peking and is thus on the list of possible Prime Ministers again.

Rhoda the rhino

Leafing over pages in "2,000 Insults—The Ones You Wish You'd Had Last Night," Denis *reached elegantly for the Prime* Ministerial jugular.

Affectionately, he compared her to Rhoda the rhino, baying with arrogant incomoetence in Peking: then to Mr Heath, "whom she outdid in chilly disdain": then to a Pacific typhoon, leaving a trial of destruction behind her.

After each of these sallies, Denis grinned encouragingly at the scattering of Tories present (most of them 1984 Hongkong freebie men).

None, sadly, rose in gallant defence. Denis then opined she'd done so many U-turns as to prove the Maoist theory of permanent revolution. "Perhaps she'll be known as the incredible revolving Maggie," he added hopefully.

Silence. Mr Robert Adley (C., Christchurch) screwed in a new and absurd monocle. "There's no-one I'd rather go tiger-shooting with," Denis offered, his clockwork slowing down a bit, "provided she was told the difference between a tiger and an elephant."

Prostrate with grief

After 50 minutes, these sophistications turned out to buttress the argument that Mrs Thatcher's August 1982 visit to Peking was "the greatest diplomatic disaster ever".

As Denis told it, the orientals were prostrate with grief and kung fu was tried on Tenh Hsiao Ping. No matter that the Chinese freely describe the visit as the first crucial breakthrough *in the Hongkong negotiations.*

"The Foreign Office has shown so much patience and skill in undoing the damage she did at that time," he continued blandly.

"What nobility I perceive in the patient merit of those public servants. We owe them a great debt: no one more than the Foreign Secretary and she whom he serves" (sic).

Not a Tory stirred. The House of Commons is never more terrifying, dangerous and sonorific than when everyone agrees on the subject before them.

Political mystery

Sadly, neither Denis nor Sir G. explained the greatest political mystery of the day: why, just why, do both sides of the Commons agree so completely over Hongkong?

No one can tell me. Tories freely admit that a sizeable minority among them must regard the Treaty as a surrender, and believe that Hongkong should have been offered self-determination like the Falklands.

But not a soul says it out loud. On the Labour benches, you'd expect even more violent disagreement. But not a word.

How has it been done? Do the Whips distribute opium before each debate?

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TRIBUNE MPs BACK CALL FOR STRIKE DEBATE

By Our Political Staff

Mr Kinnock, Labour leader, received another blow last night when members of the Left-wing Tribune group of Labour MPs fully supported the call for an emergency debate on the miners' dispute.

But the Tribune MPs did not endorse the action of members of the Campaign Group who disrupted business in the House last Thursday.

They felt that the Hard Left should have informed the party leadership of their proposed actions.

COMPUTER BAN BY POLICE

By Our Political Staff

Home computers may not be used at work by London policemen under an order issued by Sir Kenneth Newman, Metropolitan Police Commissioner. Mr Giles Shaw, Home Office Minister of State said in a Commons written reply yesterday.

REAGAN

By RICHARD BEESTON

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Inaugural address he complained of a national deficit "mortgaging our future."

Today, with the budget deficit weading towards $300 billion (£179 billion) Mr Reagan has declared that the United States has come to a turning-point.

He said he would shortly be submitting to Congress a budget aimed at freezing the Government's spending programme for the next year.

Mr Reagan addressed fewer than 1,000 people in the Rotunda instead of the 140,000 invited for his appearance on the steps of the Capitol.

The afternoon temperature was only 10 deg F—the coldest ever inauguration; and the "wind chill factor" was minus 16 deg.

But many of the 45 bands that were to have been *in the parade* played later at a sports arena in a ceremony attended by the President.

People who paid anything from $12 (£10·6) to $100 (nearly £89) for seats along the parade route will be reimbursed. The reviewing stand for the President in front of the White House surrounded by bullet-proof glass and built at a cost of more than $1,000,000 was unused.

Snow deaths

More than 40 deaths have been attributed in the United States to the latest assault of snow, ice and wind, and he most common cause of death has been heart attacks suffered by elderly people shovelling snow.

Meteorologists were describing it as one of the major snaps of the century.

The chill factor in Chicago fell to minus 80 deg. F, and at the morning rush-hour yesterday New Yorkers faced a temperature of minus 2 deg. F and a *chill* factor of minus 38.

Mr Regan, who at 73 is the oldest United States President, looked no older than on his first Inauguration, and he said of his next four years in office and the direction he hopes to take: "Let history say of us these were the golden years—when the American revolution was reborn."

On space defence Mr Reagan said: "For decades, we and the Soviets have lived under the threat of mutual assured *destruction.* "*Is there either* logic or morality in believing that, if one side threatens to kill tens of millions of our people, our only recourse is to threaten tens of millions of theirs?

"We seek another way—a far better way. I have approved a research programme to see if a security shield can be developed that will destroy nuclear missiles before they reach their target."

Mr Reagan also promised to work with the Soviet Union for nuclear arms reductions.

KINNOCK WARNS ON LAW-BREAKING

Mr Kinnock warned Labour council leaders yesterday against arguing for law-breaking over the Government's rate-capping policy. He told the Labour Local Government Advisory Committee that to do so could obscure what the party was about, which was to defend jobs and services at local level.

The party leader said unity was vital if the movement was to achieve its objectives. For people to pursue a particular course of political action which was not acceptable to the majority risked weakening that unity.

18 TAKE FIRST RIVERBUS

By Our Local Government Correspondent

A riverbus service between Charing Cross and Greenwich piers began yesterday in an attempt to persuade Londoners to regard the Thames as a commuter highway.

Eighteen passengers were on the first 8 a.m. service from Greenwich pier to Charing Cross. The buses also call at Tower Pier and Festival Pier during peak hours.

CANNED BEER UP 2p

By Our Commercial Correspondent

Canned beer prices are going up by an average of 2p a large can, starting with Watney yesterday. Whitbread and Courage, Scottish & Newcastle Breweries and Allied Breweries will put their prices up next month.

DEATHS (Continued)

BLANDFORD.—On Jan. 15, in Lisbon, *Portugal,* very peacefully after a long illness, MARY TOWLES, dear wife of JAMES BLANDFORD and loving mother of Robin and Mark, beloved grandma and friend to so many. Donations to Save the Children or Spastics Society.

BLOOMER.—On Jan. 19, at Idenbridge, Noss, of Lerl, and formerly of Saffron, Calif., widow of G. F. Bloomer, M.C., and dearly loved mother of Michael, Patricia and Jack, also beloved grandmother of Martin, Stephanie, Hilary, Julia and Lisa. Private cremation on Wednesday, Jan. 23. A service of thanksgiving for her life will be held at the Parish Church of St Peter and St Paul, Lidenbridge, at 2 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 22. No flowers, please, but donations if desired to the Save the Children Fund.

BLOWER.—On Jan. 21, peacefully in a Chichester nursing home, ROSALIND THELMA BLOWER (née Lydell), aged 82 years, death loved mother of Rob, Thomas, Marion and William, and devoted grandmother. Funeral service at Michael Church, at 9.30 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 25, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only.

BOLSHAW.—On Jan. 18, peacefully in hospital, Saxe, of Saltford, Bristol, dearly loved husband of Mary and much loved father of Peter and Barbara. Funeral service at St Marys, Saltford, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 10.45 a.m., followed by cremation at Haycombe, Bath. Family flowers only.

BRODIE.—On Jan. 18, suddenly at Sandown, Wiltshire, SEAN BURTON BRODIE, dearly loved and loyal husband of Bubbie, dear father of Sorrell and Peter and loved brother of Sean. Funeral at Swindon on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at 2 p.m. No flowers by request. Donations if desired to the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund, 67, Portland Place, London W1. Inquiries to Hillier Funeral Service, tel. 0793 22795.

BROOKE.—On Jan. 21, peacefully at his home, The Red House, North Cadbury, Somerset, in his 82nd year, PERSE MAURICE BROOKE, father of Sophie, Tessa and Victor.

BROOMFIELD.—On Jan. 19, at Guildford Hospital, after a short attack, MARY ELIZA (Molly) Eve, loved wife of R. F. (Jim) Broomfield. Funeral service on Friday, Jan. 25, at 12.30 p.m. at Sutton and District Crematorium, Worth, Sussex. Inquiries to L. & R. Mathews, Church Street, Guildford, tel. Haywards Heath 416035.

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BRYSON.—On Jan. 19, peacefully, [illegible] JOHN LIMMON, [illegible] husband of Madge and [illegible] and Andrew. Funeral service [illegible] St Johns Church, N20, on Friday, [illegible] at 1.15 p.m. Family flowers only, please, but any donations to the [illegible] Hospice and Home Care [illegible] Rev. S. J. Terry, St [illegible] Vicarage, 1165, High Road, [illegible] London N20.

BUCK.—On Jan. 20, peacefully at [illegible] Nursing Home, PHILIP DULLE BUCK, aged 82, dear cousin of [illegible] Talbot. Private cremation. No flowers, by request.

BUGLE.—On Jan. 17, in the Royal [illegible] Hospital, ARTHUR [illegible], aged 72, brother of Margaret, [illegible] and Fred. Funeral 1.30 p.m., Friday, Jan. 25, at All Saints Parish Church, The Drive, Hove, followed by private cremation. No flowers, but donations if desired to the Intensive Care Unit Staff, Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton.

BULL.—On Jan. 13, 1985, peacefully at home, CYRIL, aged 100 years, of Tavistock, son of ARTHUR BULL, formerly of Pointers Road Farm, Ilford, and Old Covent Garden Market, dearly loved mother of Arthur, Alfred and Margaret, also the late Harry and Albert. Cremation at Paradon Wood Crematorium, Harlow, on Thursday, Jan. 24, at 3.30 p.m. Flowers and inquiries, please, to Daniel Robinson & Sons Ltd., Funeral Directors, 70-72, South Street, Bishops Stortford, Herts., tel. 0279 55477.

BUNDY.—On Jan. 19, 1985, suddenly at home, KENNETH DOUGLAS, much loved husband of Jean. The funeral service takes place at Guildford Crematorium, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 11.30 a.m. All enquiries please to Pimms Funeral Services, Chertsey, Surrey Road, Guildford, tel. 67384.

BUTTERWORTH.—On Jan. 18, with [illegible], adored [illegible] husband of Brian and Sylvia, most dear father of Jeremy, Nigel and Mark, father-in-law of Adrian, Richard and Mary, beloved of Jeremy. No flowers, thank you, but donations if desired to Diabetic Research, 10, Queen Anne Street, London, W1. For funeral details please phone R. Hallam & Son, 9703 895728.

CATTREY.—On Jan. 20, peacefully at home, CHRISTOPHER, of Corsebach, loving husband of Rosamund and father of eight.

CANBY.—On Jan. 19th, suddenly, ARTHUR JOHN, aged 82 years, beloved husband of Ivy, dear father of Joan and Gill. Service at St Mary's Church, Corringham, 1.30 p.m. Thursday, prior to cremation at Hull.

CHAMBERS.—On Jan. 20, at Moreton, Tisbury, Gloucestershire, ANNE FRANCELIN, aged 62 years. Funeral service and interment at Tisbury Parish Church on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 12 noon.

CHAPMAN.—On Jan. 19, at home after short illness, AMY RUTH, aged 86. Funeral, 2.30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 24, at Surbiton Methodist Chapel. Donations please to Kidney Research Fund, c/o Service at Sea, Bath. In lieu of flowers, please, but donations if desired to R.N.L.I., c/o P. G. Dalley Ltd, 47, High Street, Walton-on-Naze.

DENHAM.—On Jan. 21, 1985, at his daughter's home, JAMES ALBERT (Jim), of Winston, dearly beloved father of Maureen and Laurence and their families. Cremation at South West Middlesex Crematorium at 2.45 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 24. Floral tributes to G. Boskell & Son, 90, High Road, Byfleet, by 12 noon.

DIX.—On Jan. 21, 1985, peacefully at home, Rev. CANON THOMAS H. M. DIX, A.K.C., A.R.C.O., of St Andrew's Road, Portslade, aged 85 years, elder son of the late Mr and Mrs A. Dix of Ormes, Backa, Archdeacon of Zanzibar 1954-59, formerly Vicar of Harrold, near Bedford, and Flansted, near St Albans. Requiem Mass at St Barnabas Church, Hove, on Friday, Jan. 25, at 11 a.m., followed by cremation. Flowers may be sent to Bernard & Sons Ltd, 90, Sackville Road, Hove.

DIXON.—On Jan. 18, 1985, peacefully, at home, Dr FRANCIS WINTHROP DIXON, of Eastbourne, Sussex, aged 74 years, formerly Pastor of Lansdowne Baptist Church, Bournemouth, beloved husband of Nancy and loving father of David and Mary (Tucker). Funeral service at Victoria Baptist Church, Elgon Road, Eastbourne, on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at 2.30 p.m. Family flowers only, please, but if desired donations to the charitable work of Words of Life Ministries Trust, 45, Rectory Road, Sprydale Road, Eastbourne BN20 7AB. "In the presence is fullness of joy."

DUNN.—On Jan. 20, 1985, in Banbury, Oxon, peacefully after a long illness, ROBERT, formerly of South Africa and Ongar, Essex, sadly missed by his wife Elsa, son Christopher, daughter-in-law Cynthia and grandchildren. No flowers, but donations to Helen House Hospice, c/o J. & M. Hammond, Albert Street, Banbury, Oxon OX16 8DG, would be appreciated. Funeral inquiries to J. & M. Hammond, 0295-65424.

DUPPY.—On Jan. 18, 1985, suddenly but peacefully at Bournemouth Hospital, OSWAN, of Bournemouth, formerly of Bangor, widow of ALAN DUPPY, much loved by family and friends. Funeral service Thursday, Jan. 24, 3.30 p.m., at Bournemouth Crematorium. Family flowers only, please, but donations if desired for Epilepsy Disease Society, may be sent to Dorie-Scott, Portman Lodge Funeral Home, Bournemouth.

EARTHROWL.—On Jan. 19, 1985, passed away peacefully at Ruthin Hospital, BERNARD ELIZABETH, sadly missed by husband Norman and son Rodney, 11, Tandderi-Lodge Llanbedr, Ruthin.

EDHOLM.—On Friday, Jan. 18, peacefully at his home after illness, Commander Ingvard, Otto Gustav Edholm, F.R.C.P., aged 75 years, dear husband of Elizabeth, father of Rita, Corina and Felicity and devoted grandfather to Jessica, Jasper, Piers and Polly. Funeral on Friday, Jan. 25, at 11 noon at All Saints Church, Hambleden. No flowers, but donations if desired in Action for Research into Multiple Sclerosis (Arsal), c/o Nat. West. Bank, Burgerford, Berks. Thanksgiving service to be held on Friday, Feb. 15, at Hambleden Parish Church, Church Row, London, N.W.3, at 12 noon.

ELLISON.—On Jan. 18, 1985, peacefully in hospital, in Africa, Chile, Lt-Cdr Gerald Hain Ellison, husband of the late Pauline Mary Ellison, father of Roger, Valerie and David and brother of Patricia. A service was held on Sunday, Jan. 20, at the Sacred Heart Church, Arica, and followed by burial at sea. Computers.

FAWCETT.—On Jan. 16, 1985, peacefully in hospital, Maxine (née Fosh), aged 94 years, loving mother of Norah and Maurice. Funeral service at St George's, Hamilton Avenue, Tolworth, Surrey, Jan. 25, at 3.15 p.m., followed by cremation at Kingston-upon-Thames Crematorium. Inquiries F. W. Page, 01-346 4813.

FELL.—On Jan. 21, peacefully in hospital, Dr LI ROSE-CONSTABLE FELL, D.F.C., R.A.F.V.R. (Retd) 1939-1945, of Sidand Green, Hailsham, Hants, dearly loved and loving husband of Dorothy, beloved uncle of Ken Pope and his wife Maggie. Funeral service at St Mary's Church Hall, on Friday, Feb. 1, at 2 p.m. followed by cremation. Family flowers only. Memorial services and interment of ashes at Bluemine St Andrew, on a date to be announced later. Family flowers only.

FLAMINGO.—On Jan. 17, 1985, peacefully at home, Francis (Frank), dearly loved wife, Cather